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PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE IOWA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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### FIRST DAY.

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WASHINGTON, IOWA, September 2d, 1886.

The forty-third session of the Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Washington, Iowa, September 2d, 1886, at 9 A. M., Bishop Thos. Bowman in the chair. After prayer by the Bishop, G. N. Power, the former secretary, called the roll, and the following members and probationers answered to their names: J. W. Alderman, R. B. Allender, J. H. Armacost, M. Bamford, G. W. Barber, S. F. Bishop, J. B. Blakey, J. A. Boatman, B. M. Boydston, I. N. Busby, G. W. Byrkitt, R. A. Carnine, T. E. Corkhill, J. E. Corley, W. F. Cowles, C. V. Cowan, J. C. W. Coxe, D. S. Dunlavy, W. S. Gardner, W. N. Groom, J. M. Hackley, A. W. Haines, J. B. Hardy, John Haynes, J. B. Hill, L. O. Housel, I. O. Kemble, A. V. Kendrick, J. O. Lambert, C. E. Lewis, J. W. Lewis, B. Mark, S. S. Martin, A. R. Miller, T. J. Myers, R. L. Patterson, W. E. Patterson, John Potter, G. N. Power, J. F. Robertson, J. W. Robinson, E. L. Schreiner, M. See, B. F. Shane, O. C. Shelton, C. W. Shepherd, J. T. Simmons, D. C. Smith, S. C. Smith, C. L. Stafford, I. P. Teter, S. H. Thomas, G. M. Tuttle, D. A. Watters, R. Weese, R. G. Wilson, W. G. Wilson, C. F. Williams, H. E. Wing, J. W. Wright, G. W. Younkin.—63.

PROBATIONERS—R. A. Allison, J. F. Barnett, James Clulow, E. E. Doud, J. W. Fraker, Henry Millice, Frank W. Otto, W. N. Potter, R. L. Rose, J. A. Ross, J. A. Sinclair, S. P. Soudan, C. L. Tennant.—13.

The following transfers were announced:—R. H. McDade, from the Colorado Conference; T. B. Hughes, from the West Virginia Conference. They are Elders.

G. N. Power was re-elected Secretary, and H. E. Wing and C. L. Stafford assistants.

The following committees were appointed:

AUDITING COMMITTEE—W. N. Groom, W. E. Patterson, J. L. King.

BIBLE CAUSE—R. B. Allender, R. L. Rose, J. Gassner, H. F. Pugh, O. C. Shelton, W. A. Gibbens.

BOOK AND PERIODICAL ACCOUNTS—J. W. Lewis, W. N. Groom, J. W. McDonald, B. F. Shane, R. Weese, E. J. Pike.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY—W. F. Cowles, C. V. Cowan, U. B. Smith, W. N. Hall, S. H. Thomas, A. V. Kendrick.

TOBACCO—J. W. Lambert, J. B. Hill, F. W. Adams, J. C. Kendrick, J. F. Barnett, G. M. Tuttle.

EDUCATION—E. L. Schreiner, S. S. Martin, W. G. Wilson, J. W. Alderman, T. B. Hughes, J. B. Blakeney, J. T. McFarland.

FREEDMEN'S AID—G. W. Barber, D. L. Hayward, M. Bamford, J. W. Wright, T. E. Corkhill, L. O. Housel.

PERIODICALS—D. S. Dunlavy, D. C. Smith, A. R. Miller, J. L. King, I. N. Busby, A. Latimer.

POST OFFICES—C. L. Tennant, R. L. Patterson, C. R. Norton, J. Clulow, R. G. Wilson.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH—John Potter, B. M. Boydston, F. R. Holcomb, D. A. Watters, J. W. Fraker, F. W. Evans.

EPISCOPAL FUNDS—J. E. Corley, S. F. Bishop, S. H. Thomas, J. W. Hackley, W. N. Potter, W. A. Black.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—J. A. Boatman, J. T. Simmons, C. E. Lewis, M. Bamford, D. C. Smith, W. R. Stryker.

TEMPERANCE—J. B. Blakeney, J. G. Barton, H. E. Wing, S. C. Smith, W. G. Wilson, G. W. Byrkitt.

WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY—S. R. Furgeson, J. A. Sinclair, W. S. Kight, C. W. Evans, R. A. Allison, L. O. Housel.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY—W. N. Groom, M. See, W. S. Gardner, J. B. Hardy, E. J. Pike, J. B. Hill.

TRACT CAUSE—J. M. Cannom, G. W. Younkin, R. H. McDade, A. Latimer, S. R. Furgeson, J. H. Arnicost.

TO RECEIVE EDUCATIONAL FUNDS—B. F. Shane, J. G. G. Cavenish, C. W. Simmons, J. W. Hackley, R. L. Rose, E. E. Doud.

TO RECEIVE GENERAL CONFERENCE FUNDS—A. V. Kendrick, J. F. Robertson, S. S. Martin, J. E. Gorley, J. W. Lambert, L. O. Housel.

NEW YORK BOOK ACCOUNTS—W. E. Patterson.

MEMOIRS—T. E. Corkhill, F. W. Evans, R. A. Carnine.

PUBLIC WORSHIP—John Haynes, I. O. Kemble, J. C. W. Coxe.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION—G. W. Byrkitt, B. M. Boydston, I. O. Kemble, John Davis, R. A. Carnine, S. H. Thomas, J. C. W. Coxe.

CHURCH EXTENSION—C. L. Tennant, D. L. Hayward, J. W. Spaulding, J. W. Wright, J. A. Boatman, E. J. Pike.

STEWARDS—J. B. Hill, J. G. Barton, D. C. Smith, J. W. Wright, G. M. Tuttle, D. A. Watters, S. S. Martin.

BLUFF PARK CAMP MEETING—L. O. Housel, J. W. Lambert, J. E. Corley, J. W. McDonald, D. C. Smith, G. M. Tuttle.

The following committee was appointed to consider and report upon the performance of the marriage ceremony by unordained Methodist preachers: O. C. Shelton, W. F. Cowles, E. L. Schreiner, W. N. Hall, C. W. Shepherd, C. E. Lewis.

J. C. W. Coxe, F. W. Evans and J. W. Alderman were appointed a special committee to report resolutions on the assassination of Rev. G. C. Haddock, a former member of this Conference, and also to receive contributions for the widow, and for the fund to bring the murderers to justice.

The following committee was appointed to perfect the plan for reporting the Conference collections: C. W. Shepherd, T. E. Corkhill, J. B. Blakeney.

The time of the session was fixed at from 8:30 A. M. to 12:00 M., the first thirty minutes to be occupied with devotional exercises.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the west side of the third window.

A paper from the Boston University was referred to the committee on Education, as was also a communication from the Board of Education.

A paper from the Board of Managers of the Freedmen's Aid Society, apportioning \$2,000.00 to this Conference, was referred to the committee on Freedmen's Aid.

A circular from the National Association of Local Preachers, was referred to the committee on Post Offices.

A communication from the Book Committee, apportioning \$1,159 to this Conference, for the support of the Bishops, was referred to the Presiding Elders to be apportioned to the several districts.

The New York Book Account was handed to the committee, W. E. Patterson.

A draft was ordered on the Chartered Fund for \$30.00, and one on the Book Concern for \$187.00 for the benefit of the Conference claimants.

The following visiting brethren were introduced: Dr. Edwards, of the Northwestern Christian Advocate; Revs. Wiley, of the Covenanters Church; J. R. Logue, of the Second United Presbyterian Church; N. B. Raridon, of the Baptist Church; T. B. Hughes, transferred from the West Virginia Conference; J. W. Alderman, transferred from the Kansas Conference; H. A. Tucker, of the South Kansas Conference, and Addis Albro, from Central Illinois Conference.

The 20th question was called, and T. J. Myers, G. N. Power and C. L. Stafford had their characters passed and reported their districts.

The following Effective Elders made their reports and had their characters passed: S. R. Furgeson, J. W. Alderman, A. V. Kendrick, W. R. Stryker, W. E. Patterson, G. M. Tuttle, F. R. Holcomb, G. W. Byrkitt, M. See, D. L. Hayward, A. W. Haines, D. C. Smith, W. G. Thorn, W. G. Wilson, W. N. Groom, C. W. Shepherd, J. F. Robertson, B. M. Boydston, C. F. Williams, S. S. Martin, J. C. Kendrick, M. Bamford, J. W. McDonald, John Potter, I. O. Kemble, S. C. Smith, J. T. McFarland, J. C. W. Coxe, H. F. Pugh, B. F. Shane, U. B. Smith, J. E. Corley, H. E. Wing, D. A. Watters, C. W. Evans, John Davis, C. R. Norton, J. W. Wright, C. E. Lewis, E. L. Schreiner.

W. N. Hall, J. L. King and F. W. Adams not being present to report their collections, their cases were passed.

C. H. Montgomery was reported as transferred to the Southwest Kansas Conference.

The 18th Question, viz: "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was called, and the following Supernumerary preachers had their characters passed and their relation was continued: J. S. Furgeson, H. V. Tull, O. P. Light, G. G. Watters, G. W. F. Willey, A. McClintock, and W. A. Swain. J. T. Simmons was made effective.

The cases of W. C. Shippen, W. J. Spaulding, and B. Mark, were postponed for the present.

F. H. Beck was reported transferred to the Northern New York Conference.

The 19th Question, viz: "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was called, and the following Superannuated preachers had their characters passed and were continued in that relation: John Hayden, J. H. McCutchen, H. Runyan, James Haynes, E. W. Twining, R. B. Allender, John Orr, A. W. Johnson, A. W. Stryker, John Burgess, S. Hestwood, J. G. Thompson, W. Poston, J. B. Hardy, J. Gassner, A. Robinson, C. P. Reynolds, Cyrus Morey, J. T. Coleman, G. H. Clark, E. H. Waring, and N. Wells.

The case of I. A. Bradrick was passed for the present.

Joseph McDowell and T. M. Kirkpatrick were reported deceased.

Rev. T. O. Douglass, Superintendent of the Congregational Missions in Iowa, was introduced to the Conference.

J. E. Corley was elected Treasurer of the Conference.

The time was extended to finish necessary business.

The preachers were instructed to meet at 2 P. M. to make their reports.

Saturday at 2 P. M. was fixed upon as the time for the preaching of the semi-centennial sermons by J. Gassner and O. C. Shelton.

The list of committees was read and the announcements made.

R. B. Allender was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the devotional exercises in the morning.

The doxology was sung and the Conference was dismissed with the benediction by Dr. Edwards.

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## SECOND DAY.

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FRIDAY, Sept. 3rd, 1886.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour. The devotional exercises were conducted by R. B. Allender.

Bishop Thomas Bowman in the chair. The minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

The following visiting brethren were introduced to the Conference: Revs. A. McMillen, of the Presbyterian Church; W. H. Manual, of the East Ohio Conference; — — Gray, of the Central Illinois Conference; John Hood, State Agent of the American Bible Society, and Dr. Cranston, of the Western Book Concern.

J. Hood addressed the Conference briefly in the interest of the Bible Cause, and Dr. Cranston represented the interests of the Book Concern.

A draft for \$187 from the Book Concern, and \$30 from the Chartered Fund, were handed to J. B. Hill, for the Stewards.

Dr. Fry, of the Central Christian Advocate; J. W. Malone, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; and M. Nelson, of Utah, were introduced to the Conference.

F. W. Adams and C. V. Cowan were elected Statistical Secretaries, and C. V. Cowan was elected Railroad Secretary.

C. F. Williams was excused from attendance upon the Conference after to-day's session.

The 20th Question, viz: "Was the character of each Preacher examined?" was called. The character of D. Murphy and I. P. Teter was passed, and they reported their districts.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their collections: R. A. Carnine, C. V. Cowan, R. Weese, O. C. Shelton, I. N. Busby, J. G. Barton, J. W. Lambert, J. A. Boatman, S. F. Bishop, T. E. Corkhill, T. B. Hughes, W. F. Cowles, E. J. Pike, W. A. Gibbens, A. Latimer, L. O. Housel, F. W. Evans, S. H. Thomas, J. B. Hill, J. B. Blakeney. The character of D. C. Bevan was passed.

The character of J. M. Mann, a missionary in Nebraska, was passed, and his present relation to the Conference continued.

The character of J. Craig was passed and he was given Superannuated relations.

The following transfers from the Conference were announced: W. I. Miller, to the Southwestern Kansas Conference; C. B. Clark, to the Dakota Conference; and S. W. Siberts, and S. P. Craver, to the Mexico Conference.

The case of J. W. Robinson, was at his request, referred to a committee of investigation. The Bishop appointed the following persons as members of said committee: J. A. Boatman, W. G. Thorn, M. Bamford, I. N. Busby, E. L. Schreiner, B. F. Shane, and H. E. Wing.

Dr. Edwards, editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, addressed the Conference briefly, relative to the interests under his care.

Revs. M. C. Wilcox, of the Foochow Conference; and J. H. Elliott, of the United Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The 19th Question, viz: "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was resumed, and I. A. Bradrick was granted a Superannuated relation at his own request.

The annual report of the Iowa Wesleyan University was presented. Pending the reading of the report the time of the session expired, and on motion the time was extended to finish the report. The report was referred to the Committee on Education.

J. B. Hardy was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises in the morning.

The Conference was adjourned by expiration of time; the usual announcements were made, after which the doxology was sung, and Dr. Fry pronounced the benediction.

## THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, September 4th, 1886.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour, with Bishop Bowman in the chair.

J. B. Hardy conducted the devotional exercises. The minutes of the former session were read and approved.

The roll of absentees was called and the following brethren answered to their names: F. W. Adams, J. G. Barton, John Burgess, F. W. Evans, S. R. Furgeson, W. A. Gibbens, F. R. Holcomb, J. C. Kendrick, J. L. King, J. W. McDonald, J. T. McFarland, D. Murphy, R. H. McDade, C. R. Norton, W. Poston, C. P. Reynolds, W. J. Spaulding, W. R. Stryker, J. G. Thompson, W. J. Thorn, E. H. Waring.

The 14th Question, viz: "What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?" was called, and the following persons were favorably reported upon, were represented, and elected to Elder's Orders: John W. Lewis, Ambrose R. Miller, John W. Hackley, Winfield S. Gardner, Ralph L. Patterson, and James H. Armacost.

The following visitors were introduced to the Conference: Dr. Reid, of the Missionary Society, Dr. Fairall of the Iowa Methodist, Rev. James Rogers of the Alabama Conference, and W. N. Danner, of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The 5th Question, viz: "Who are admitted into Full Connection?" was called, and the following candidates were called to the bar of the Conference and addressed by the Bishop; David S. Dunlavy, James A. Ross, James A. Sinclair, John F. Barnett, C. L. Tennant, Winfield S. Kight, W. A. Black, W. N. Potter, George L. Cannom, and Charles W. Simmons.

The candidates gave satisfactory answers to the Disciplinary questions. They reported their collections, and after being properly represented, and reported upon, were admitted. They were all elected to Deacon's Orders except D. S. Dunlavy, J. T. Bennett, Charles W. Simmons, and W. A. Black, who are already Deacons.

E. P. Childs was discontinued.

The 10th Question, viz: "What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?" was called, and James Clulow, recommended by the Oskaloosa District Conference, and Simon P. Soudan, recommended by the Ottumwa District Conference, were elected to Deacon's Orders.

Dr. Fry addressed the Conference in the interest of the Central Christian Advocate.



Rev. M. Nelson, Scandinavian Missionary in Utah, addressed the Conference in the interest of the the work in that section of the country. On motion the time was extended in order that he might finish his address. A collection was taken, amounting to \$44.55, for the benefit of the work there.

The report of Geo. Haw, the Conference Treasurer, was received, and the Stewards were instructed to distribute the accrued interest, (16.00,) among the Conference Claimants.

H. C. Millice was appointed to solicit subscriptions for the "Gospel in All Lands," and other Missionary publications. Copies of these publications were referred to the committee on periodicals.

The usual announcements were made, and the Bishop appointed J. Gassner to conduct the devotional services on Monday morning.

The Doxology was sung, and the Conference was dismissed with the Benediction by Dr. Reid.

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## FOURTH DAY.

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MONDAY, September 6th, 1886.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop Bowman in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were led by Joseph Gassner.

The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The 18th Question, viz: "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was called, and W. C. Shippen, W. J. Spaulding, and B. Mark were continued in the Supernumerary relation.

The 20th Question was called, viz: "Was the character of each Preacher examined?" and the characters of W. N. Hall, J. L. King and F. W. Adams were passed.

The Auditing Committee presented a report showing that \$8.00 was due the Secretary, and C. R. Norton and U. B. Smith were appointed a committee to raise the sum. The collection raised amounted to \$12.24.

The 13th Question, viz: "Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?" was called, and G. W. Younkin, R. S. Wilson, George W. Barber, J. W. Hackley and H. V. Tull were advanced to the Second Class of Traveling Deacons.

The 3rd Question, viz: "Who remain on Trial?" was called, and the following were continued: Frank W. Otto, Elliott E. Doud, Henry C. Millice, James Clulow, Simon P. Souden, Roswell L. Rose, Joseph W. Fraker.

Robert A. Allison, and Mathew S. Stryker, were continued with the understanding that they are to be examined on this year's course of study at the next session of the Conference. Eldredge D. Kilbourn was discontinued.

The following certificates were filed by the Bishop: Of the ordination as Deacons of James A. Ross, James A. Sinclair, Chas. L. Tennant, Winfield S. Kight, W. N. Potter, Geo. T. Cannon, James Clulow, and Simon P. Soudan. Also of ordination as Elders of John W. Lewis, Ambrose R. Miller, John W. Hackley, Winfield S. Gardner, Ralph L. Patterson, and James H. Armacost.

The 22d Question, viz: "Who are admitted on Trial?" was called, and the following candidates, Charles W. Powelson and Peter C. Hogle, recommended from the Keokuk District Conference; Levi D. Johnson, recommended by the Muscatine Quarterly Conference; Garry P. Van Wye, recommended by the Oskaloosa District Conference, and Lathan Ingham, and Charles E. Corkhill, recommended by the Ottumwa Quarterly Conference, were admitted on trial.

W. N. Groom. M. See, I. N. Busby and D. C. Bevan, were granted Supernumerary relations at their own request.

Invitations were received from Muscatine and Newton for the next session of the Conference, and Newton was selected as the place for holding the next Conference.

The 7th Question, viz: "Who are received on Credentials from other Churches?" was called, and the credentials of Frances Asbury Piper, an Elder from the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America, were accepted, and he was admitted to full connection in this Conference.

The report of the Visitors to the Iowa Wesleyan University was presented, read and accepted.

The case of N. Wells was called up by the Stewards, who asked for instruction as to whether he was to be classed among the Conference claimants, and they were instructed to place his name on the list of claimants.

Dr. Reid addressed the Conference in the interest of our missionary work.

Vouchers were filed by the Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society for \$8,607.

Dr. Hartsell, of the Freedmen's Aid Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interest of that work.

The report of the Committee on Education was read and adopted.

The report of the Secretary of the Bluff Park Association was referred to the Committee on Education.

A motion prevailed to proceed to the election of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for Thos. E. Corkhill, F. M. Gregg and E. L. Penn.

The Bishop appointed W. F. Cowles and J. W. Alderman as tellers.

A vote was taken and the tellers retired to count the ballots.

Vouchers for \$200.45, Sunday School Union Funds, were placed on file.

The report of the Committee on the Woman's Home Missionary Society was read and adopted.

On motion the time was extended.

The report of the Committee on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was read and adopted.

The report of the committee in the case of J. W. Robinson was read and adopted. A motion that his character be passed was lost.

The Bishop appointed T. E. Corkhill to conduct the devotional exercises at the opening of the session in the morning.

The doxology was sung, after which the Conference was dismissed with the benediction by Dr. Hartsell.

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## FIFTH DAY.

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TUESDAY, September 7th, 1886.

The Conference met at the appointed time, with the Bishop in the chair.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The case of J. W. Robinson was called.

Banner Mark addressed the following interrogatory to the President: "Can the Conference legally arrest the character of one of its members who may be guilty of imprudence, unless the Disciplinary steps have been taken?" To this the Bishop made the following answer: "No. But in this case I understand the Disciplinary steps were taken."

Banner Mark then offered the following interrogatory: "When the Conference finds that one of its members is guilty of imprudence, and adopts such a report, does not that pass his character?" The Bishop answered: "I think not."

The vote by which the report of the committee was adopted, yesterday, was reconsidered. The report was then amended by the following additional paragraph:

"That the Brother be reprimanded by the Chair; that his character pass, and that he be granted a location at his own request."

The Bishop briefly addressed J. W. Robinson, enforcing the statements contained in the report of the committee.

A telegram from the Cincinnati Conference, regarding the assassination of G. C. Haddock, was referred to the special committee on that subject.

The committee to receive Educational funds was instructed to send Children's Day funds in their hands to Dr. Kidder, and to file their receipts for the same with the Secretary of the Conference.

Vouchers for \$709.45 Freedman's Aid Society funds, and \$555.81 Church Extension Society funds, were put on file.

The Rev. W. J. Martindale, of the Missouri Conference, was introduced.

The following reports were adopted: "State of the Church; State of the Country; Trustees of the Bluff Park Association; Committee on Bluff Park; Tract Cause; Temperance; Church Extension; Periodicals; On the Haddock Assassination; Conference Missionary Society; General Conference Expenses; Freedman's Aid Society; American Bible Society; Sabbath; Tobacco; Visitors to Garret Biblical Institute; Conference Educational Society; On Reporting Conference Collections."

The Steward's report was adopted and the funds were distributed.

The Committee on Publication of Conference Minutes made their report, which was adopted, and a vote of thanks was tendered the committee.

C. L. Stafford was appointed the committee on publication of minutes for this year, and he was instructed to publish 2,000, to be distributed on last year's plan, and the preachers to pay for the same within thirty days of the adjournment of Conference.

The committee on Episcopal Funds filed receipts for \$907.12, and was instructed to forward \$30.30 cash in their hands to the Book Concern, and deposit the receipt for the same, when received, with the Secretary of the Conference.

A motion prevailed that when we adjourn it be to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and that the Memorial service be held in connection with the afternoon session.

Trustees of the Conference, Triers of Appeals, Committees of Examination, and other nominations of the Cabinet, were received and adopted, with the recommendation that the several claims be divided equally among the districts.

A voucher for \$282.12 Educational funds was placed on file.

The committee on Post Offices reported lists of Local Preachers for Burlington, Keokuk, Oskaloosa and Ottumwa districts.

The report of the committee on the Solemnization of Marriage by Unordained Ministers, was amended by the addition of the following and then adopted:

*Resolved*, That the General Conference be memorialized to authorize all unordained preachers in charge, to solemnize the marriage rite.

M. Bamford asked to be excused from further attendance upon the Conference, and resigned his position as Trustee of the Iowa Wesleyan University. He was excused, and his resignation as Trustee was accepted.

The tellers reported the following Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University elected: Geo. Haw, G. N. Power, I. O. Kemble.

A ballot was ordered for a Trustee of the University in the place of M. Bamford, resigned. A ballot was taken and the tellers withdrew to canvas the vote.

The testimony in the case of J. W. Robinson was placed on file.

The tellers announced the election of C. L. Stafford as Trustee of the Iowa Wesleyan University.

The committee to receive General Conference Expense Funds filed receipts for \$81.75, and was instructed to forward \$5.00 cash in their hands to Cranston & Stone, and deposit the receipt for the same with the Secretary of the Conference.

The following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, converted young men are relatively few; and Whereas, the Young Men's Christian Association is an arm of the Church reached out for the salvation of young men, and an instrumentality greatly honored of God in keeping them from courses of evil, and in saving them with the power of an endless life, and Whereas, the National Association has arranged for the observance of the week commencing with the 2nd Sabbath in November as a week of special prayer for the young men of our country, and desire that ministers of the Gospel, as the leaders of the Church, will recognize and encourage this special effort for a most important cause; therefore.

*Resolved*, that we deem it eminently fitting and desirable that the members of this Conference shall, where practicable, lend encouragement to this effort by preaching to young men on the Sabbath so set apart, and by presenting the importance and the advantages of work for young men, and recognizing the State committee of the Association of Iowa as a prominent factor engaged in the work for young men, we hereby request their co-operation, and to this end ask that they furnish such data as may be at their command, concerning this work for young men."

On motion the time was extended to complete the work at hand.

C. W. Shepard was elected Treasurer to receive the collections at the next Conference and J. E. Corley assistant.

The following resolutions were adopted;

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Conference are hereby tendered the several Railroad Companies which have granted the courtesy of reduced rates to the Conference and its visitors: viz: the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, the Burlington & Northwestern, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, the Burlington & Western, and the Central Iowa.

*Resolved*, That the committee to receive contributions for the Haddock fund, be requested to also solicit offerings for a suitable monument if our co-operation is desired in such good work.

*Resolved*, That the Christian character of our brethren, Revs. M. Bamford, R. A. Carnine and J. W. Wright, and their earnest devotion to the work of the Master during the years of their connection with the Iowa Conference, and their uniform courtesy in their association with the brethren, have greatly endeared them to us, and that we greatly regret that they feel drawn to change their Conference relations to another Conference. We desire hereby to assure them of our highest esteem and brotherly love, and that we would be glad to welcome their return to us at any time in the future.

JOHN HAYNES,  
C. L. STAFFORD.

O. C. Shelton was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises at the opening of the afternoon session.

The doxology was sung, and the Conference was dismissed with the benediction by W. J. Martindale.

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#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, September 7th, 1886.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop Bowman in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by O. C. Shelton.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion, C. W. Evans was excused from further examination in the course of study.

The following committee on General Conference Entertainment Fund was appointed: A. V. Kendrick, J. W. Alderman, M. Simpson, A. W. McElhany, C. W. Shepherd, J. F. Robertson, A. Hagney, Dillen Payne, S. S. Martin, A. R. Miller, Thomas Bell, C. H. Wilson, J. E. Corley, U. B. Smith, C. Thompson, A. Cooley, J. W. Lambert, R. Weese, S. Vitchers, Pierce Ratcliff, J. B. Hill, J. A. Boatman, W. A. Nye, and George Haw.

The report of the Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society was read and adopted.

The Statistical Reports were read and adopted.

The following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That our sincere thanks are extended to the people of Washington for their kind hospitality during our stay among them, and we pray that our Heavenly Father will reward them.

*Resolved*, That we desire to express our gratification at the pleasant manner in which our wants have been supplied by Rev. I. O. Kemble and the laymen of his charge who have aided him.

*Resolved*, That we have been gratified and greatly profited with the visit of Bishop Bowman to our Conference, and desire to express our appreciation of his tender and Christian bearing, his wise counsels and services rendered in the Chair, and in the ministry of the Word, and we humbly pray that he may long be spared to the Church, and have as in the past abundant fruit.

The agent for publishing the Conference minutes was instructed to print the three Statistical tables on the plan of last year.

The Secretary of the Conference was instructed to convey to Brother S. Houston, a layman of Kosta, the thanks of the Conference for his gift of \$9,000 to the Freedmen's Aid Society.

A collection was ordered to meet our share of the \$1,000 offered as a reward from the Methodists of Iowa, for the detection of the murderers of Rev. G. C. Haddock. F. R. Holcomb, J. L. King, W. R. Stryker, A. V. Kendrick, J. W. Hackley and S. S. Martin were appointed a committee to take the collection. The committee reported the collection in cash and subscription amounting to \$81.36. It was ordered that the subscription be paid to J. W. Alderman.—(See report K—2.)

The pastor at Newton and the presiding elder were appointed a committee on railroad accommodations for the next Conference.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs, containing the memoirs of Joseph McDowell, T. M. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Bell Swain, was read and adopted. The committee on publishing the minutes was instructed to procure and print a memoir of Mrs. I. N. Busby. Remarks were made by several members of the Conference relative to the departed, and the audience joined several times in the singing of appropriate hymns.

A motion prevailed that after the minutes are read and approved, and the appointments announced, the Conference shall stand adjourned without date.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated and participated in by the Conference and many members of the congregation. After the Sacrament, the Bishop led in prayer, and after a brief address to the Conference he read the appointments for the coming year.

The doxology was sung and the Bishop dismissed the Conference with the benediction.



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### REPORTS.

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#### A—AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Secretary of the Conference, report that we have examined the same and find that \$8.50 will be necessary to meet the Conference expenses, and recommend that said amount be raised by a collection.

W. N. GROOM, Chairman.

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#### B—BIBLE CAUSE.

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Inasmuch as the Divine One said: "Go ye into by-ways and hedges for the lost sheep of the house of Israel," and inasmuch as by the efforts of the American Bible Society, souls have been reached and saved, and the Bible put into homes where it was not, to the extent, that in the last general supply 60,000 copies have thus been distributed; therefore, we recommend the presentation, to the people, of the American Bible Society, and the taking of a collection, yearly, for its continued work.

R. B. ALLENDER, Chairman.

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#### C—CAMP MEETING ASSOCIATION.

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##### THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSISSIPPI RAPIDS BLUFF PARK ASSOCIATION.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Iowa Annual Conference, held at Washington, Sept. 2, A. D., 1886:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—I have, in the good providence of God, the honor of laying before your venerable body this third annual report of acts and doings of the Association, and the condition of the interests committed to its care.

At our last report the Association held by warranty deed about fifty acres of land, on which was held a mortgage for one thousand dollars. There were also some other debts against the Association of smaller sums, but at this time there is no incumbrance on the land, the mortgage having been cancelled, and also the floating debt greatly diminished.

##### IMPROVEMENTS.

During the past season much has been done by way of trimming the trees, and clearing off the brush, repairing roads, building stairways, &c., &c., and in many other ways adding to the convenience and beauty of the grounds.

Many of the lot owners have erected neat and elegant cottages on the grounds, so that the place is becoming day by day more and more attractive and desirable.



## WATER SUPPLY.

While there has been no real scarcity of water, yet there has been an earnest desire on the part of all to have a better supply of water not only for drinking purposes, but also as a sanitary measure for cleansing the grounds. Therefore the Trustees have decided to sink an artesian well which will cost, perhaps, about three thousand dollars. These grounds being the property of the Iowa Annual Conference it is proper and right that the Conference should take sufficient interest in it to assist in securing whatever means shall be necessary for the carrying out of this purpose.

## A HEALTH RESORT.

The Board of Trustees were very much surprised by the developments of the past season. First, as to the numbers that came upon the grounds to remain for the season; and second, as to the effect upon their health. Several persons seriously afflicted with asthma found, after a few days stay there, that they were entirely relieved of their ailment. Also, persons afflicted with neuralgiae and rheumatic affections experienced similar relief, and returned to their homes in better health than they had enjoyed for years.

## MEETINGS.

The series of meetings held during the past season were times of real refreshing, especially those devoted to the Sunday School work and the Camp Meeting proper.

Under the able management of Dr. Cox the Sabbath School exercises were more than a success, and the result I have no doubt will be felt for many years to come.

Arrangements had been made a year ago with Rev. Thomas Harrison to be present and conduct the Camp Meeting, but in this we were disappointed. He failed to come or even to notify us of not being able to come, but we afterward learned that his health had failed and he returned home. Yet the Lord was with us in power, and our Camp Meeting was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

The Trustees would desire that this Conference give expression as to whether they desire to establish a permanent Sunday School Assembly at Bluff Park, as is much desired by the Board of Trustees. The Board also ask that the Conference order that the number of Trustees be increased to sixteen—the additional four members to be appointed by the Missouri, Illinois, Central Illinois and Des Moines Conferences, one member from each of those Conferences.

## THE FOLLOWING IS THE FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Expenses during the past year:

For labor.....	\$ 441 00
Lumber.....	165 00
Hardware.....	27 00
Seats purchased from Chatham Square.....	30 00
Paid architect.....	150 00
Printing, postage, &c.....	80 00
Blackboard.....	5 00
Lamps.....	1 00
Tank and wind mill.....	160 00
Boarding house.....	1,115 00
Tents.....	115 00
Lodging room.....	35 00
Total expense.....	\$ 2,324 00

## RECEIPTS AND ASSETS.

## Receipts:

From boarding house.....	\$ 1,115 00
From gate fees.....	750 00
From rent of tents.....	120 00
From lodging room.....	190 00
Total receipts.....	\$ 2,175 00

## Assets on hand:

Notes for sale of lots.....	\$ 390 00
Accounts for same.....	575 00
400 unsold lots, estimated at.....	8,000 00
A parcel of ground valued at.....	1,000 00
133 cots valued at.....	150 00
Sheets and blankets, valued at.....	75 00
Toilet ware.....	15 00
Cord wood on hand.....	50 00
Kitchen furniture.....	160 00
Total assets.....	\$10,415 00

Assets.....	\$10,415 00
Liabilities, net.....	149 00

Assets above liabilities.....\$ 10,266 00

The Association still hold an option on the Riverside Institute which it is their purpose to close and add this tract of thirty acres to what they already have, thus giving the Association eighty acres of land with more than one-half of a mile of river bluff, it being, as is believed, the finest view on the entire course of the great Father of Waters.

In the firm belief that the Iowa Conference will properly care for this important interest, this report is respectfully submitted.

THOS. E. CORKHILL, President.

## 2. BLUFF PARK COMMITTEE.

Your committee appointed in the interest of Bluff Park, present the following:

We believe the movement thus far inaugurated bears evidence of the Divine approval, and is such as to insure success in the general good of the Church, and is therefore entitled to the hearty co-operation of the Conference.

The location and scenery of Bluff Park are such as merit the highest admiration, and for a health-resort, it only lacks one thing to make it second to none other in all the west, namely: an artesian well, which the Trustees of the grounds propose to secure in the near future. We commend this enterprise to your immediate and favorable consideration.

We call attention, with pleasure, to the financial showing as found in the report of the Board of Trustees. This will indicate to us the growing interest which characterizes this enterprise, and gives substantial foundation for hopefulness as to its future prosperity and permanent success.

We second the suggestion of the Trustees, that the Conference authorizes them to establish a permanent Sunday School Assembly at Bluff Park. Also, that the Board of Trustees be increased in number from twelve to sixteen, and that the additional four be appointed by and from the conferences named in their report.

We recommend also the purchase of the Riverside Institute property of thirty acres and building, provided that it can be done without any financial embarrassment to the Association.

Your committee would call special attention to the fact that this is a Conference enterprise, and while we rejoice in all the efforts of our Church to advance the Kingdom of God, yet we deem it prudent and in keeping with our Conference action, to so arrange for our camp meetings in future, that, if possible, no two shall be held at the same time within the bounds of our Conference.

We recommend the following persons to be elected Trustees to fill vacancy in third class for Bluff Park: John Haynes, J. W. McDonald, George Sweeney and D. H. Payne.

L. O. HOUSEL, Chairman.

G. M. TUTTLE, Secretary.

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#### D—CHURCH EXTENSION.

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The work of the Church Extension Society is worthy of the most favorable consideration from all our Pastors and people. To the West and South the Society has gone and assisted weak and struggling societies to put up neat chapels where the regular work of the church is being carried on, and where the best of results are being realized. Upwards of six thousand churches of this character have been aided from the funds of the Church Extension Society. We earnestly exhort our people to investigate its aims and work, especially that of the Loan Fund Department as worthy of the bequests of the benevolent who are seeking a place for the investment of surplus means.

C. L. TENNANT, Chairman.  
JNO. W. WRIGHT, Secretary.

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#### E—CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.

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Your Committee on Blank for Conference Collections would recommend the re-adoption of the plan and blank adopted by the Conference at its last session, with this addition, that the Conference Treasurer be elected at this session and the Conference Secretary be requested to provide such blanks and envelopes and furnish each Pastor with the same in connection with other blanks.

T. E. CORKHILL, Chairman.

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#### F—STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

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Your Committee on the State of the Country would offer the following:

1st. We rejoice in the fact that our country is at peace with the nations of the world, and notwithstanding the drouth has cut short the

crops in some localities, still we are abundantly supplied with the necessities of life, and the country is in a fair state of commercial prosperity.

2d. We are gratified with the progress of education throughout the nation, especially with the increasing interest taken by the churches in the elevation of that long oppressed race, the Freedmen, and thereby fitting them up to enjoy their full rights and privileges as American citizens.

3d. While we are gratified at the rapid increase and prosperity of our country in wealth and population, we cannot look without fearful apprehension upon the boldness of crime and the spirit of disregard of and disobedience to law, and especially of mobs, anarchism and assassination. But the peril increases when the mass of the people become indifferent to the enforcement of law, and political organizations give their influence in favor of resistance to the law, and worst of all, when courts of justice, which are ordained to enforce the law, violate their patriotism, honor and oath of office to shield the guilty from punishment and thereby encourage the worst of men to prey upon the lives, liberty and property of the citizens, and thus making it necessary for the people to arrest and punish these criminals outside of the regular courts, which is a state but little short of civil war.

4th. The murder and pillage of Chinese by men of the vilest character both native and naturalized, and their being upheld and encouraged by leading politicians of both the great parties, and not punished by the government, is calculated to stir up the indignation of the Chinese at home to retaliation on our mission property and the murder of our Missionaries in China; and already the tidings come flashing along the wires that the destruction has commenced and the blood of our Missionaries is being poured out and is crying to Heaven for vengeance, not against the heathen Chinese, but against this Christian nation for its unrighteous conduct in provoking these misguided men to avenge the blood of their kindred; and where is the Christian that will lift his hand to Heaven and pray for vengeance on these heathen Chinese while the blood of their brothers is unavenged in this Christian land? But what is the remedy?

(1) Let all Christians pray for our country and that God would lead us to repentance for all our national sins;

(2) Let all Christians and patriots give attention to the primary meetings and unite to send only good men to conventions, and see that righteous men are nominated and elected;

(3) Let capable, honest business men be willing to serve as jurors, and not leave the juries to be made up of idlers that hang about the counters or saloons waiting for a job and perhaps a bribe;

(4) Let every citizen feel that it is his duty to aid in enforcing the law, and to see that magistrates and peace officers do their duty;

(5) Let all preachers faithfully instruct the people in these great truths, and warn them that national sins unrepented and unforgiven will as surely bring national destruction as individual sins unrepented and unforgiven will bring ruin to the soul, and it would be well for us to read the fate of Israel and Judah, in sacred history, and the cause that led to their destruction, as well as that of Ninevah, Babylon and Tyre in profane history, and that our country will be no exception to them if we refuse to break off our sins by righteousness and our iniquities by turning to God.

W. F. COWLES, Chairman.

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G—STATE OF THE CHURCH.

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Your Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report:

That as we feel keenly the loss of members of the Church by immigration, we recommend the more vigorous use of vitalizing resources, the Sunday School, the Reading Circle and Church Lyceum especially claiming our attention. We greatly need a revival of Scriptural holiness.

We recommend a revival of the Wesleyan spirit that recognizes the "world as our parish;" that local ambitions may be forgotten in an intense desire for the greater good of the masses, and that this desire may be manifested in a marked increase of all our benevolent collections.

We recommend that the attention of our members be habitually called to the great importance of increased and regular attendance upon the prayer and class meetings, and also suggest that some methods be adopted that will secure a larger attendance of the children upon the preaching of the Word.

We most affectionately admonish our people against dancing, theater going and Sunday visiting, considering that these things have a tendency toward worldliness and a final loss of piety.

We congratulate the Church that in our bounds and abroad we have had large ingatherings the past year, and that in the general Church, revivals have been so prevalent that over one hundred thousand souls have been converted at our altars since our last session.

In conclusion we exhort the Church to provide liberally for the comfort of the Pastors and the worn out preachers of the Church, and pray that the blessing of God may abide on us as in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. SMITH, Chairman.

W. R. STRYKER, Secretary.

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H—EDUCATION.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

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Your committee respectfully submit the following report:

1. TRUSTEES AND VISITORS. We recommend the election by ballot of six Trustees for the Iowa Wesleyan University, to fill the places of the class whose term expires with this year. We present the names of W. G. Wilson and C. L. Stafford for election as visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute. We recommend the following persons as visitors to the Iowa Wesleyan University: J. F. Robertson, H. E. Wing, T. B. Hughes, W. A. Gibbens, M. Simpson, Arthur Gibbons, Wm. Wilson, P. M. Musser, Pierce Ratcliff.

2. CHILDREN'S DAY. We congratulate the church on the popularity which "Children's Day" has acquired in our churches, and the success which has attended its observance. We recommend that "Children's Day" be observed in all our charges; that the decorations in our places of worship in connection with its observance, be simple and inexpensive; that a collection for the Children's Fund of the Board of Education, be taken in all our Sunday Schools on that day; that all the money so raised be sacredly applied to this Fund; that said money be forwarded at once to Rev. D. P. Kidder, D. D., 805 Broadway, N. Y., and the amounts raised be included in our Educational Reports, and the receipts enclosed as vouchers for the same.

3. PROPOSED PLAN FOR RAISING MONEY FOR THE IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.—A copy of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University at its recent session, setting forth a plan for raising one hundred thousand dollars for the University, was submitted to the committee, and we heartily recommend their adoption by the Conference. In order that these resolutions may have permanent record in and distribution through the Conference Minutes, we adopt them, with our approval, as a part of our report. The following are the resolutions:

*Report and Resolutions Unanimously Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University at the Annual Meeting held June 14th, 1886:*

The Committee recommend that the Trustees proceed to raise, by donations, an additional \$100,000.00, of which \$50,000.00 shall be applied to increase the General Permanent Endowment Fund, \$40,000.00 for the erection of additional University Buildings, and \$10,000.00 for Current Expenses and Liabilities; endowers having the privilege of indicating at the time of subscription to which of said purposes their several donations shall be applied, and when no such indication shall be made by the donors, such donation shall be applied as the Board of Trustees may direct; provided, that subscriptions for current expenses and liabilities shall become due and collectible when the whole ten thousand dollars shall be subscribed; and those for additional University Buildings when twenty thousand dollars thereof shall be subscribed; and those for Permanent Endowment when twenty-five thousand dollars thereof shall be subscribed.

To carry into effect the foregoing proposition, the committee recommend that the President of the University be instructed to spend such portion of his time during each college year in said work as shall meet with the approval of the Executive Committee and as far as may be consistent with his health and personal supervision of the University.

For the purpose of aiding to meet the current expenses and liabilities during the current year, your committee recommend that the several members of the Iowa Annual Conference be requested to make a special effort to increase the annual educational collections in their respective charges, during the early part of the next college year, so as to reach in the aggregate at least two thousand dollars, to be divided equally among the six districts and be distributed on the basis of the Presiding Elder's claim; and that they be earnestly requested to aid the President of the University in all proper methods in their respective charges in the execution of the hereinbefore mentioned financial work.

On motion, President McFarland and Hon. James Harlan were requested to prepare and transmit to each Pastor in the Conference an address, setting forth the financial plan adopted by the Board, and that the Pastors be requested to secure the publication of the same in the newspapers published in their respective charges.

*Resolved*, That the women of the Methodist Church, residing within the bounds of the Iowa Annual Conference, are hereby earnestly requested to aid in raising one hundred thousand dollars, contemplated in the report of the Finance Committee adopted by this Board.

If these several sums shall be furnished with reasonable promptness the Trustees believe it will lay the foundation for the enduring prosperity and usefulness of the University, as its consumation will un-



doubtedly induce generous men and women of ample means to make donations and bequests thence afterwards on a liberal scale to meet its future needs, being thus assured that their benevolent gifts will result in permanent benefit to mankind. The Trustees thus justify themselves in asking at the present time for only one hundred thousand dollars for purposes of such vast consequences to the present and coming generations; a sum which, if equitably distributed among the members and friends of the Methodist Church in the Iowa Annual Conference, can be donated with but a small fraction of the inconvenience borne by their fathers and mothers thirty years ago in raising the twenty odd thousand dollars for the erection of the principal University building, and the first ten thousand dollars put into the endowment fund, not to mention their subsequent contributions from year to year for current expenses. The Trustees do not believe that the present generation is composed of "degenerate sons of noble sires," who would hesitate, out of their abundance, to consummate with liberal hands, what their fathers so generously commenced, when comparatively indigent, looking forward only to that recompense of reward Divinely promised to those who do their whole duty. But they ask now for only one hundred thousand dollars, because only that sum is now needed, and not because it is up to the full measure of the ability or generous disposition of those from whom this beneficence is expected.

It will be seen from a perusal of the appended plan, that its execution is confided to the individual members of the Iowa Annual Conference in their respective ministerial fields of labor, aided, as far as may be practicable, by the President of the University, and without the assistance of a special soliciting agent. The declination of the Board of Trustees to ask the Conference to designate such an agent was not suggested by the undersigned nor by the lay members. The undersigned and the laymen present, thinking that the Pastors had enough other regular ministerial and benevolent work to fully occupy their heads and hearts and hands, were inclined to insist on the appointment of such agent for this special labor, but they were overborne by what probably was the superior wisdom of ministerial members, whose judgment on this point was undoubtedly the outgrowth of their own experience, and their faith in the ability, disposition and zeal in every good work of their ministerial brethren, and their frugal desire to save an agent's salary, so that every dollar donated should be applied to the purpose intended having the fullest confidence that the regular pastors would, acting in concert with the President, willingly and cheerfully so present the subject to their several congregations as to crown it with speedy success. In this decision the laymen cheerfully acquiesced. Hence the request for this service at your hands may be properly treated as the official expression of the unanimous wish of the Board of Trustees.

And the undersigned, in behalf of the Trustees, respectfully suggest that the several Pastors should not delay the commencement of this work for the personal appearance of the President of the University among their parishioners. His time will be necessarily absorbed largely by his regular work at the University. He will be unable to devote more than two or three days each week to outside duties, and consequently cannot in the course of the whole year reach one-half of the congregations within the bounds of the Conference. It is, therefore, hoped that each Pastor will, as soon as practicable, confer with his Presiding Elder on this subject and at once adopt such methods as may be thus devised for the immediate and effective prosecution of this work.

In the consideration of methods, the several Pastors will no doubt notice that the Trustees have appealed to the ladies for their assistance. In view of their known practical ability and ever generous disposition to aid in every benevolent enterprise, this appeal seems eminently proper, and especially so in aid of the Iowa Wesleyan University—it having been the first educational institution of its grade, except Western Reserve College in Ohio, to open its doors in all of its departments, for the admission of young ladies on an equal footing with young gentlemen to all its privileges and advantages, a policy, the wisdom of which the young ladies thus admitted have, by their own good conduct, refining influence and equal success with their brothers in the mastery of all the studies embraced in a full College course so amply demonstrated. The University which thus lead in breaking down what is now almost universally admitted to have been an unreasonable prejudice against the purest and best portion of God's creation—a prejudice the outgrowth of the barbarism of the dark ages, now appeals to the class of persons whose character and capacity have been thus properly recognized, for their earnest and effective assistance. The Trustees do not think this appeal will be made in vain. But in this, as in every good work, the ladies will no doubt expect and desire the counsel, advice and support of their respective Pastors. The Trustees, in their behalf, respectfully solicit this countenance and aid.

Dear brethren, will you now promptly use the talents and influence which God has bountifully bestowed on you, to secure the proper growth, the enduring prosperity and increased usefulness of the University bequeathed to you by your Fathers in the Ministry, nearly all of whom are now reaping their reward in celestial homes prepared for the saints.

With great respect and esteem, your obedient servants,

JAMES HARLAN,  
J. T. MCFARLAND.

With regard to the matter of these resolutions we would recommend the following action by the Conference :

1. The Iowa Annual Conference most heartily endorses the recommendations and plan for raising and applying an additional One Hundred Thousand Dollars, for the enlargement and strengthening of the Iowa Wesleyan University, proposed by its Board of Trustees at its last session. We are gratified that this earnest effort is to be made to do for our University what the demands of its work so imperatively require; and we feel that, by the hearty sympathy and co-operation of the Conference, what is proposed can be speedily accomplished. We pledge ourselves to such labor and sacrifice in this enterprise as its importance and greatness merit, and its success may seem to require.

2. In order the more effectually to carry out the plan proposed by the Trustees, we make the following particular recommendations:

(1) That, according to the suggestion of the Trustees, we seek to increase our educational collections for the University to an aggregate of not less than Two Thousand Dollars; with the understanding that whatever, if any, of the amount so realized not required for the current expenses of the University shall be applied to the payment of the existing debt. That the Presiding Elders, before the adjournment of this session of the Conference, be requested to apportion this amount of Two Thousand Dollars, on such basis as they may agree upon as equitable to the several districts; and the Presiding Elders of the respective dis-



tricts be requested to make the apportionment to the various pastoral charges on the basis of the apportionments for the Freedmen's Aid Society; and that each pastor stand personally pledged to raise in his charge the amount so apportioned.

(2) That we recommend that aside from the payment of the existing liabilities of the University, the securing of funds for the erection of additional College buildings be made the object first to be accomplished.

(3) That we pledge to President McFarland our cordial and earnest co-operation in whatever plans he may adopt for carrying forward this most important work.

4. INCREASE OF STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY. We are exceedingly gratified at the increased attendance of students at the University during the past two years, and on account of the prospect for a still larger increase at the opening of the coming year. We earnestly recommend that the pastors, in addition to labors for the direct financial interests of the University, will seek constantly to turn to its halls young men and women who desire an education.

## 2. IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—REPORT OF SECRETARY.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Iowa Annual Conference:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—Through the kind providence of our Father in Heaven, I have the honor of laying before your venerable body this, the Thirty-Second Annual Report of the Iowa Wesleyan University, for the year ending June 16, 1886. And in so doing it is most fitting that we recognize with devout thanksgiving, the goodness and mercy of God which has always been extended toward this first-born of literary institutions west of the great father of waters.

Under the prudent management of its President, Rev. Dr. McFarland, the school has had another year of peace and prosperity. Both teachers and scholars have worked vigorously throughout the year, maintaining the spirit of unity in the bonds of peace.

But while there has been peace, harmony and general good health in the school, it becomes our painful duty to record the death of one of our most efficient and highly esteemed laborers, John T. Dickinson, Professor of Mathematics. For the greater part of the past year he was a constant sufferer, his malady steadily increasing until April 26, when he passed away from the sorrows and afflictions of life to the rest that remains to the people of God.

The Board of Trustees, which met on the 14th of June, adopted the following minute in regard to Prof. Dickinson:

"John T. Dickinson, Professor of Mathematics in the Iowa Wesleyan University, departed this life April 26, 1886. While feeling keenly our great loss, we would bow in submission to that Providence which is too wise to err and too good to be unkind. We therefore take pleasure in recording our high appreciation of Prof. Dickinson as a man, a Christian and a teacher. We adopt the following kind note of him, taken from the Iowa Wesleyan:

"A great and good man has fallen. A noble spirit, beautiful in its strength, Christ-like in its simplicity, has gone out from among us. As one sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust approaches life's close, so this man came to the end of life's passage and quietly yielded

up his spirit to God who gave it Henceforth his place at home and in the world is vacant. The active life of unselfish aims and generous ways of this teacher, father, friend, becomes a fragrant memory, and the influence of whose kind, gentle and loving spirit will be as a benediction to all who knew him. We extend to his wife and children our tenderest sympathy in this sad hour of their bereavement, and earnestly pray that the all-abounding grace of God may supply all their needs.'"

To fill the place made vacant by the death of Prof. Dickinson, the Board elected Prof. Gus. Walters, and also made him principal of the Normal Department. They also elected Prof. Ira M. DeLong to the chair of Latin, and also made him Principal of the Preparatory Department.

The number of students in actual attendance last year was 291.

The graduating class numbered 11.

The number receiving honorary degrees were as follows: Bishop S. M. Merrill, LL. D., Rev. H. H. O'Neal, D. D.

Before submitting the financial exhibit, your Secretary would beg leave to represent that several years ago the St. Louis German Conference, by its duly appointed and authorized agents, proposed to the Trustees of the I. W. U. that if the said University would convey to the said Germans a certain amount of land and erect thereon a building of certain size, and would place in their hands promissory notes as endowments amounting to Twenty Thousand Dollars, then in that case they, the St. Louis German Conference, would transfer their School or College from the town of Warrenton, Missouri, to the town of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. In compliance with this proposition, the Trustees of the I. W. U. conveyed a certain tract of land, containing about five acres, and erected thereon a brick building of good size, and deposited among other endowment assets their own note as Trustees, and for some time paid the interest on the same, and while the Trustees of the Mt. Pleasant German College still hold the grounds, buildings, and note of the Trustees of the I. W. U., we are not informed that the St. Louis German Conference has ever attempted to make the transfer of their school as was at first agreed upon. But your Secretary is now informed by one of the committee appointed originally by the said German Conference, and authorized to submit said proposition, and who is also now a Trustee of the German College in Mt. Pleasant, that the promised transfer cannot now be made. Although it would seem from the present state of affairs that everything under this contract was forfeited, and the lands, buildings and endowments given by the I. W. U. could be recovered back to the University, yet it would not perhaps be best to insist on that, as the German College in Mt. Pleasant is an institution belonging to and under the control of the same church with the I. W. U. And although not what was promised, and not what was expected when the lands, notes, &c. were given, yet it is doing a good work, and while it would be very unjust on the part of our German brethren, in view of their inability to meet their part of the contract, to ask the payment of the note of the I. W. U. Trustees, it might also not be best for the I. W. U. to take back the grounds and buildings, &c., donated to the Germans in view of the promised transfer of their school or College at Warrenton, but common justice would demand that the note referred to should at once be surrendered to the parties who gave it.

According to the requirements of the Charter of our institution, the term of office of one class of Trustees expires with this date, and

whose places it will become your duty to fill. The persons composing said class are as follows: G. N. Power, I. O. Kemble, E. L. Penn, M. M. Walden, Geo. Haw, T. E. Corkhill.

## FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

The following is the financial exhibit of the Iowa Wesleyan University for the college year ending June 1st, 1886:

## ENDOWMENTS.—President's Chair:

Notes and mortgages.....	\$ 12,939 29	
Pacific railroad bonds.....	1,000 00	
Unsecured notes .....	4,868 20	
Cash on hand.....	1,942 07	
		\$ 20,749 56

## Alumna! Chair:

Notes secured by mortgage.....	3,290 09	
Unsecured notes.....	2,844 40	
Cash on hand.....	102 00	
		6,236 49

## Normal Chair:

Notes unsecured.....	537 00	
Notes secured by mortgage.....	350 00	
Cash on hand.....	194 00	
		1,081 00

## Chair of Natural Science:

Notes secured by mortgage.....	2,870 16	
Notes unsecured (estimated).....	6,621 04	
Cash on hand.....	208 80	
		9,700 00

## Ladies' Chair:

Note secured by mortgage.....	189 34	
Cash on hand.....	1 00	
		190 34

## Laboratory Fund:

Unsecured note.....	100 00	
		100 00

## General Endowment:

Notes secured by mortgage.....	24,643 45	
Unsecured notes and subscriptions.....	5,804 00	
Cash on hand.....	2,825 66	
		33,273 11

## RECAPITULATION.—Notes secured by mortgage:

President's Chair, including R. R. Bond.....	13,939 29	
Alumna! Chair .....	3,290 09	
Normal Chair .....	350 00	
Chair of Natural Science.....	2,870 16	
Ladies' Chair.....	189 34	
General Endowment Fund.....	24,643 45	
		45,282 33

## Cash on Hand:

President's Chair.....	1,942 07	
Alumna! Chair .....	102 00	
Normal Chair .....	194 00	
Chair of Natural Science.....	208 80	
Ladies' Chair.....	1 00	
General Endowment.....	2,825 66	
		5,273 53

## Unsecured Notes and Subscriptions :

President's Chair.....	4,868	20	
Alumnal Chair.....	2,844	40	
Normal Chair.....		537	00
Chair of Natural Science.....	6,621	04	
Laboratory Fund.....		100	00
General Endowment.....	5,804	00	20,774 64

## Total Endowment :

Secured by mortgage on real estate.....	45,282	33	
Cash on hand.....		5,273	53
Unsecured notes and subscriptions.....	20,774	64	
Real estate valued at.....	6,500	00	
			77,830 50
Library and apparatus.....	2,000	00	
Museum and furniture.....		3,500	00
Buildings and grounds.....	45,000	00	
			50,500 00

Grand total of the Iowa Wesleyan University.....\$ 128,330 50

The Trustees also adopted a report which contemplated the raising by donation of an additional sum of one hundred thousand dollars, of which fifty thousand shall be applied to the Permanent Endowment Fund, and forty thousand dollars to be applied to the erection of new buildings, and ten thousand dollars to be applied to current expenses and liabilities, and that the members of Conference be requested to endeavor to increase the educational collection to reach an aggregate of at least two thousand dollars. They also appointed Senator Harlan and Dr. McFarland a committee to address the Conference on this subject. In the fond hope that the foregoing plan may be carried out successfully, this report is respectfully submitted.

THOS. E. CORKHILL, Secretary.

## 3. IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—REPORT OF VISITORS.

We, your Committee of Visitors to the Iowa Wesleyan University, beg leave to make the following report: We were present during the closing week of the University, and are highly pleased with the manifest progress made by the students and the thoroughness and discipline shown by President McFarland, D. D., and his able corps of teachers. We were present at the joint meetings of the Board of Trustees and Visitors, and are gratified to learn with what care and painstaking the interests of the University are watched over by the Trustees, and also that a decided advance is to be recommended to you by the action of the Board of Trustees for the liquidation of the indebtedness against the institution, and to provide better buildings and larger endowments in order to meet the growing demands of the University.

We most heartily commend the Iowa Wesleyan University to our young people, and to all others seeking a higher Christian education, and would recommend that its interests be earnestly set before our charges.

A. V. KENDRICK, Chairman.

## 4. GARRETT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE—REPORT OF VISITORS.

Your Committee appointed as Visitors to the Garrett Biblical Institute would report as follows: We visited the Institute according to

appointment and attended its various exercises and examinations. The institution with its surroundings affords many conveniences and helpful opportunities for students seeking a thorough preparation for the Ministry. The examinations indicated thorough work on the part of teachers and pupils. The members of the faculty are master workmen in their several departments. They evidently keep constantly in view the practical needs of the Ministry and of the special wants of the age. The annual love feast meeting was one of great spirituality; the experiences narrated clearly showed that the faculty give prominence to the spiritual attainments and culture of the students.

The marked spiritual atmosphere pervading the whole institution powerfully emphasizes the fact that thorough scholastic drill and learning are in no way incompatible with highest spiritual attainments and power. In our judgment there is a growing necessity that all young men having in view the work of the Ministry should secure the largest classical and theological education possible to them.

J. W. McDONALD,  
J. T. McFARLAND.

## I—FREEDMEN'S AID.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN'S AID.

The work of the Freedmen's Aid Society is among both white and colored people in the South, and is steadily growing both in importance and magnitude.

The Society has 21 schools for colored people, containing 4,233 scholars, and 18 schools for white people, containing 2,000 scholars, making a total of 39 schools and 6,233 scholars, all being trained for preaching and teaching among their own people.

The receipts of the Society for the year ending June 1st, 1886, were \$167,443 00, an increase of nearly \$24,000 over the preceding year.

The Society asks for \$250,000 next year,—\$150,000 from the Conferences and \$100,000 from private donations.

The sixteen Southern States contain 425,000 members of our church equally divided between the two races.

The Iowa Conference gave this year \$681.55 for this Society, an increase of \$65.48 over last year. These figures are encouraging, but we should do better. The amount raised this year is but 40 per centum of the apportionment.

We take this method of expressing our keen appreciation of the generosity of our brother, Samuel Huston, who gave to this Society during the past year \$9,000, and commend his example to all our brethren whom the Lord has blessed with wealth.

The amount asked from our Conference for next year is \$1,600, and we pledge ourselves to use our utmost diligence to raise the amounts which may be apportioned to our various charges.

Respectfully submitted.

M. BAMFORD, Chairman.

GEO. W. BARBER, Secretary.

## 2. REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

Total receipts from charges to date..... \$ 709 45

For which amount I hold receipts as follows:

Cranston & Stowe.....	\$ 626 45
Dr. J. C. Hartzell.....	37 80
J. M. Phillips.....	20 00
Geo. W. Gray.....	25 20

Total amount.....	\$ 709 45	\$ 709 45
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Sept. 7th, 1886.

D. C. SMITH, Treasurer.

## J—GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.

Your Committee on General Conference Expenses beg leave to report as follows: We find that collections have been taken in but few of the charges. The following amounts have been collected from the charges indicated:

Burlington District—Burlington First Church, \$20; Morning Sun, \$4.

Keokuk District—Bentonsport, \$5; Centerville, \$6; Lebanon, \$3; Montrose, \$3; Selma, \$2.25; Troy, \$2.

Muscatine District—Muscatine First Church, \$10; Lettsville, \$5.

Mt. Pleasant District—Lexington, \$5.50.

Ottumwa District—Albia, \$10; Cedar, \$4; Unionville, \$7.

Amount paid to Cranston and Stowe.....	\$ 81 75
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Amount in hands of Committee.....	5 00
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Total.....	\$ 86 75
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A. V. KENDRICK, Chairman.  
J. F. ROBERTSON, Secretary.

## K—THE MURDER OF REV. GEO. C. HADDOCK.

### REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

*Resolved*, (1) That we have heard with the most profound sorrow of the foul murder of the Rev. George C. Haddock, late an honored member of this Conference, and that we extend to his wife and son our warmest sympathies.

*Resolved*, (2) That in the brutal and cowardly assassination of Brother Haddock we recognize the fiendish and deadly spirit of the rum traffic.

*Resolved*, (3) That we recognize the high and honorable Christian character of Brother Haddock, and the spirit of heroism which led him to become a martyr in defense of the homes of the State against the power of the saloon.

*Resolved*, (4) That we take a collection from the preachers of the Conference to be used in detecting and convicting the assassins, which



if not used for this purpose shall be given to the widow, and that said funds be forwarded to Dr. Arthur Edwards, editor of the N. W. C. Advocate to be applied on the \$1,000 offered by Presiding Elder Whitfield.

J. C. W. COXE,  
FRANK W. EVANS,  
J. W. ALDERMAN, } Committee.

## 2. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RAISING THE HADDOCK FUND.

The committee appointed to take a collection to be applied on the Haddock Fund reported the following subscriptions and cash:

Cash—S. F. Bishop, \$1; W. F. Cowles, \$1; C. V. Cowan, 25 cents; D. C. Smith, \$1; J. W. Alderman, \$5; E. E. Doud, \$1; A. V. Kendrick, \$1; B. F. Shane, \$1; George Swanston, 50 cents; J. F. Robertson, \$1; John Potter, \$5; D. A. Watters, \$2; B. M. Boydston, \$1; John Haines, \$1; cash, 25 cents; R. G. Wilson, \$1; W. G. Wilson, \$2; W. H. Manuel, \$1; W. S. Gardner, \$1; D. Murphy, \$1; G. M. Tuttle, \$1; I. P. Teter, \$1; F. R. Holcomb, \$1; cash, 25 cents.

Subscriptions—R. A. Allison, \$1; J. Sinclair, \$1; R. L. Patterson, \$1; A. W. Haines, 50 cents; C. L. Tennant, \$1; J. W. Wright, \$2; J. E. Corley, \$2; C. L. Stafford, \$5; J. Clulow, 25 cents; F. Stephens, \$2; J. L. King, \$2; T. J. Myers, \$3; H. F. Pugh, \$1; S. H. Thomas, \$1; D. S. Dunlavy, \$1; W. E. Patterson, \$1; S. C. Smith, 50 cents; J. C. W. Coxe, \$5; F. W. Adams, \$2; E. L. Schreiner, \$2; J. Pauley, \$1.

Amount paid on subscription.....	\$ 31 25
Cash received outside subscription.....	15 86

Total cash.....	\$ 47 11
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## L—INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

We, the committee to whom was referred the case of J. W. Robinson, a member of this Conference, for investigation, would respectfully report that we have taken due time and pains to get at the facts in the case, and we find no conclusive evidence of immoral conduct in J. W. Robinson, but we find him guilty of gross impropriety and imprudent conduct (both by his own confession and other testimony) as forbidden in rule 3 for a preacher's conduct, which says "conduct yourself prudently with women."

J. A. BOATMAN, Secretary.

## M—MARRIAGE RITES BY UNORDAINED MINISTERS.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE BY UNORDAINED PREACHERS IN THE M. E. CHURCH.

In this age, when the spirit of misrule and lawlessness is so prevalent, when the bonds of marriage are so easily broken by the sanction of the civil law, when in our own State the bloody hand of assassination is used to strike down a law abiding and law enforcing minister of our own church, it seems to your committee that by no word or action of this body, should such a spirit receive the slightest encouragement.

Every Minister of the Gospel receiving his authority from our Church' promises before God and his brethren to keep our rules and not to mend them.

The Constitution of the United States and of the State of Iowa secure to each religious denomination the right to confer upon or withhold from its ministers certain ceremonial rights or privileges, and it is not the intent of any law in this State to interfere with these in any way. By the law of our church, which recognizes marriage as a very solemn institution, ordained of God in the time of man's innocence, and its sacredness reaffirmed by His Son, the privilege or right to perform this ceremony is not conferred upon her Ministers until they are ordained as Deacons. As Ministers we certainly ought to show a spirit of cheerful obedience to our Spiritual Mother. The code of Iowa, in designating persons who may perform this ceremony, says: "Ministers of the Gospel ordained or licensed according to the usage of their denomination." In view of the constitutional provision before referred to, the intent of this section is not to override the order of the Church but to supplement the same by the authority of the civil law, so that if a church by license authorizes her Ministers to solemnize marriage the civil power consents; if the right is not conferred by the Church until the Minister is ordained, the civil law does not step in and say we will authorize you to do that which your church forbids, but in intent says we consent to the usage of your Church; and while your Committee think it might be a wise provision to authorize unordained Ministers who are in charge as Pastors to do this work, still we do not find it so written in our laws, and submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Conference that unordained Local or Traveling Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church are not authorized by the usage of the Church to solemnize marriage; and consequently not proper persons in the eye of the civil law to perform the same, and should abstain from so doing; and we request the Presiding Elders to so counsel all unordained preachers under their care.

C. W. SHEPHERD, Secretary.  
O. C. SHELTON, Chairman.

Amended—*Resolved*, That we memorialize the next General Conference to authorize all unordained preachers in charge to solemnize the rite of marriage.

## N—MEMOIRS.

### 1. MEMOIR OF REV. JOSEPH M'DOWELL.

Joseph McDowell was born in Westmoreland county, Pa., July 11, 1797, and died in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, October 16, 1885. In his 17th year he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. Soon after he was licensed to exhort, and then to preach. In 1818 he married Esther Nounan, of Waynesburg, Pa., who for more than fifty-five years shared with him the toils and triumphs of the ministry. He labored faithfully in the capacity of local preacher till 1833, when he was admitted on trial in the Ohio Conference, and sent to Delaware circuit. In 1834 to Roscoe, 1835 to Somerset. In the fall of the latter year he was admitted to full connection and ordained deacon. In 1836 he was at Westchester. In the fall of 1837 he was ordained elder and appointed



to Germantown, where he spent two years. In 1839 he was at Franklin; 1840-41 at Eaton; 1842-43 at Troy; 1844 at Union; 1845 at South Charleston; 1846 at Vienna; 1847 at Mechanicsburg. In 1848 he was transferred to the Rock River Conference and appointed to Canton, Ill. In 1849 transferred to the Iowa Conference and appointed to New London. His appointments in the Iowa Conference were afterwards: 1850, Yellow Springs; 1851, Fairfield station; 1852-53, Mt. Pleasant; 1854, Salem; 1855, Muscatine district; 1856-59, Mt. Pleasant district; 1860, Rome; 1861-62, Glasgow; 1863, Salem. This latter he resigned during the year on account of bodily infirmity. In 1864 he was appointed to Brighton. In 1865 he was granted a superannuated relation. In 1868-69 he was chaplain of the Iowa State Prison at Ft. Madison. In the earlier years of his ministry the revival service was his proper element, and he often said that the shout of new-born souls was the sweetest music to his ears. Upon the Troy circuit in one year, he received into the Church about thirteen hundred souls. He had a great love for young men, and was always upon the lookout for those whom he thought the Lord had called to preach the Gospel, and would very earnestly press upon them their duty in this respect. To his mind it was a great achievement to lead one whom the Lord had called into the active ministry, and he watched over all such with undying interest, rejoicing in all their successes. To his colleagues he was a brother beloved. Rev. J. G. Thompson, his junior on Mt. Pleasant circuit in 1853, which then included the town of Mt. Pleasant, writes: "He was the most loving and lovable colleague with whom I ever labored." He regarded the calling of a Methodist preacher as the noblest on earth, and often said: "I would rather be an humble Methodist itinerant than to be President of the United States." He loved the Church with all the strength of his ardent soul, and was loyal to her doctrines and Discipline to the last degree. As a preacher, Father McDowell was tender and persuasive, rather than argumentative and logical. His appeals were made directly to the heart, and all were made to feel that he had an overflowing love for souls. He was deeply interested in all the publishing and educational enterprises of the Church. He was intimately identified first with the Ohio Wesleyan, and after coming to Iowa with Iowa Wesleyan University, laboring and contributing as God gave him ability, to place them upon solid foundations. It was always a matter of great rejoicing when he succeeded in bringing young men to enter these institutions as students. It was an increasing delight to him to be present at the sessions of Conference in late years, and as each year he responded to his name, all voices would be hushed that we might catch every word that would fall from his saintly lips, for they were always freighted with sweetness and wisdom. He bore constant testimony to the younger members of the Conference that in his age and infirmity he was enjoying the brightest and sweetest experience of his life, and with these words would encourage them to continue in the work to which God had called them, without a thought of turning aside. He was a father in our Israel, whom we loved most tenderly. During his lingering illness, his mind was clear and his soul triumphant. He seemed to have wonderfully clear views of the world to come, and was often in transports at the thought of soon entering into the joy of the Lord.

JOHN HAYNES.

## 2. MEMOIR OF REV. T. M. KIRKPATRICK.

Rev. Thomas M. Kirkpatrick was born in Morgan county, Ill., June 5, 1813, and died in Butler county, Neb., March 10, 1886. He entered the Illinois Conference in 1837, and the Iowa Conference in 1844. He removed from Iowa to Minnesota in 1855, where during the years of the

Rebellion he suffered great privations, and was exposed to great dangers on account of the hostility of the Indians. He removed to Arkansas in 1871 and returned to Iowa in 1875. He prosecuted the work of the ministry in Minnesota and Arkansas, but whether as supply or member of Conference the writer has not the means of knowing. Brother Kirkpatrick did regular and faithful service in the Iowa Conference as one of the pioneers, when privations were many and comforts few. He was a plain, practical and efficient itinerant preacher for many years, and until the infirmities of age made it necessary for him to retire. He and his aged companion were made the recipients of valuable presents upon the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. As this event occurred during the session of our Conference at Muscatine, in September, 1882, it was made publicly before the Conference and many of the preachers attested their appreciation and esteem by the presentation of gold coin, very acceptable doubtless. Since August, 1884, he had suffered from paralysis.

J. HAYNES.

### 3. MEMOIR OF MRS. A. B. BUSBY.

Mrs. Almira Belle Busby was born Aug. 27, 1857, in Indianapolis, Ind. She came to Iowa in 1861. She married Rev. I. N. Busby, M. D., a member of the Iowa Conference, April 8, 1875. She accompanied her husband to his charges at Newton, Ottumwa, Danville and New London. For some years the Doctor has had charges near Brooklyn, the home of Sister Busby's parents. She has suffered from lung trouble for about two years, and for seven months before her death was unable to leave her room. She has been known in this community many years, as girl and woman, to be a faithful, earnest, cheerful Christian. Her death was triumphant. A short time before she left us her Pastor asked her how she did, and with her old smile she reached out her hand and said: "I am here and thankful and happy." She died Oct. 1. Her funeral was one of the largest ever seen in this community. Besides the services at the M. E. Church, the Ladies' Relief Corps, of which she was a member, conducted very beautiful exercises at the grave. Her husband and three children survive.

R. A. CARNINE.

### 4. MEMOIR OF MRS. S. B. SWAIN.

Sarah Belle Swain, wife of Rev. W. A. Swain, of this Conference, was the daughter of Rev. D. F. and Mrs. E. E. Swain, who were pioneers in Iowa. She was born near Attica, in Marion county, August 4, 1849. She was converted in January, 1867, and was married to Rev. W. A. Swain February 10, 1867, and after a brief illness departed this life at her home in West Liberty, March 3, 1886. Her husband, who had been suffering from throat trouble, went to California in December, 1885, for his health, but in the latter part of February hastened to his home in answer to a telegram, arriving but a day or two before her death. She was conscious and was hopeful of her recovery when her husband came to her. Sister Swain was a true and loving wife, cheerfully sharing the toils, the cares, and the sorrows (they had buried two children) with her husband in ministerial life. She was a kind and affectionate mother, a neighbor beloved by all, and true and devoted to the church, for which she had spent a life in toil and sacrifice. While she was hopeful as to her recovery, she was resigned to the will of her Heavenly Father and died in great peace. The attendance of her friends in West Liberty and from Downey, where they had served in the ministry, was an exponent of the great esteem in which she was held by all who knew her.

## 5. MEMOIR OF MRS. JENNIE ROBINSON ADAMS.

Mrs. Jennie Robinson Adams was born in Northfield, Des Moines County, Iowa, June 8th, 1854. She was the daughter of Wm. F. and Margaret A. Robinson. She died in the place of her birth January 31st, 1884. August 27th, 1878, she was married to Rev. F. W. Adams, her uncle, Rev. Stuart Robinson, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., performing the marriage ceremony. In her twelfth year she was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In May, 1883, she was prostrated by a severe sickness, but gaining some strength during the summer she was enabled to go with her husband to his work on the Pleasant Hill Circuit. Remaining three weeks she was prostrated again and taken to the home of her parents, where for some months her life continued through a long, patient illness. During the most of this time her husband remained upon his work to which he had been assigned by his Conference. But during this separation her prayers and heart's devotion were ever for him and with him. Specially was this so during the time of his protracted meetings, when by her letters she constantly encouraged him by her sympathies and prayers. Not till a week before she died—when she felt apprehensive that her end was approaching—did she send for her husband to hasten to what proved to be her dying bed.

Preferring to live for the sake of her husband and infant daughter and the privileges of christian work, yet she willingly resigned herself to the will of her Heavenly Father. Some hours before her death she united in prayer with her companion, after which she gave in detail the results of her christian experience—saying finally: "I can say no more than this, 'I know the Lord is my Shepherd.'" Her mind and consciousness were perfect to the last, when she gently fell asleep, that led to the rising of her Eternal Day.

Her life was a constant exemplar of the Christian character. Of a lively disposition, she was ever devout and attentive to all her Christian duties. Always anxious to be of assistance to her husband in the ministry, she was ever careful to do what she could to help and encourage him. Wherever she went she gained the esteem and confidence of many friends. Though now gone, her remembrance is ever fresh in the hearts of many loved ones.

Rev. D. L. Hayward preached her funeral sermon, from the general subject: "The Resurrection." Alluding to the life of the departed, many tokens were instanced of her constant loving obedience to parents, her even, firm and hopeful Christian faith. Faithful and true in life, she became fitted to dwell in mansions above.

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O—MISSIONARY.

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## 1. THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Forty-Third Anniversary of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society was held at the Opera House, Washington, Iowa, September 5, 1886. The address was made by J. M. Reid, D. D., Missionary Secretary.

The following persons were made members of the Parent Society by the payment of Twenty dollars or more: D. H. Payne, \$20; A. D. Gibbons, \$35.

The following were made members of the Conference Society by the payment of Five dollars or more: A. V. Kendrick, B. F. Tipton, J. W. Eyestone, Mrs. A. E. McDonald, Mrs. J. W. Eyestone, Mrs. J. W. Hackley, Mrs. R. A. Carnine, A. M. Gardner, E. J. Brent, C. O. Hurd, Anna Betts, Sophia Coe, A. F. Demorest, M. Y. Howe, J. H. Lukens, P. M. Musser, J. S. Patten, H. E. Wing, Levi Starks, T. J. Foot, P. H. Burns, Mrs. Minnie E. Adams.

R. A. CARNINE, Secretary.

## 2. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your committee on Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, beg leave to report as follows:

WHEREAS, We believe there is an increasing demand in the Methodist Episcopal Church for woman's work in forwarding the victories of the cross in foreign fields. And knowing this cannot be accomplished without organized effort, therefore

*Resolved*, 1st, that we recognize the W. F. M. S. as one of the prime factors in the great missionary work of the church.

*Resolved*, 2nd, that we do not believe this Society antagonistic to the Parent Society, but rather an additional aid in putting before our people the great cause of Missions. And we will aid in organizing auxiliaries in charges where there are none, and support and encourage those organized.

*Resolved*, 3rd, that we heartily endorse the effort of the Society in infusing their literature in the form of the Heathen Women's Friend, reports, leaflets, &c.

S. R. FURGESON, Chairman.

L. O. HOUSEL, Secretary.

## 3. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your committee to whom was referred the Woman's Home Missionary Society, beg leave to report as follows:

WHEREAS, The Woman's Home Missionary Society has been adopted by the General Conference as one of its regularly authorized benevolences, designed to reach where other Societies do not, in the domestic and religious education of the needy in the home field, and to aid in beating back the tide of evil that rolls in upon us through foreign emigration; and

WHEREAS, It is accomplishing much good in those fields, especially in Utah among the Scandinavians, in building Mission homes, and employing missionaries, and teachers; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we will aid in its organization in our charges and call the attention of our people to its excellent paper, the Woman's Home Mission, and encourage as we have opportunity the distribution of its Reports, Leaflets, and other literature.

J. B. HARDY, Chairman.

## P—OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

WHEREAS, God said, "Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy," and blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it, and

WHEREAS, The institution of the Christian Sabbath is the strongest bulwark of our modern civilization, therefore be it

*Resolved*, (1) That we view with alarm the growing tendency in this country toward Sabbath desecration of all kinds, such as the pursuit of secular business, spending the day in rioting and pleasure, social visiting, &c., and

*Resolved* (2) That we will use our influence both in the pulpit and out of it, to enforce a due observance of the Sabbath day, and will endeavor to have the secular laws against Sabbath breaking more strictly enforced in the communities where we reside by every lawful means in our power.

JOHN POTTER, President.  
D. A. WATTERS, Secretary.

### Q—STEWARD'S REPORT.

QUESTION 1—What are the claims on the Conference funds?

ANSWER—Of effective Preachers, nothing; of Superannuates and Widows, \$2,500.

QUESTION 2—What sums have been raised on these claims and how have they been applied?

ANSWER 1—Received from Churches, \$1,281; from Charter Fund, \$30; from book Concern, \$187; total, \$1,516, an increase of \$108 over last year.

ANSWER 2—Distributed as follows:

#### TO SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS.	AMOUNT.	BY WHOM TAKEN.
Cyrus Morey.....	\$100.00	S. C. Smith.
J. T. Coleman.....	90.00	Otto.
R. B. Allender.....	50.00	Self.
J. B. Hardy.....	50.00	Self.
Anthony Robinson.....	45.00	Blakeney.
Joseph Gassner.....	45.00	Murphy.
N. Wells.....	50.00	Barton.
John Burgess.....	1.00	Rose.
Total.....	\$431.00	

#### TO WIDOWS OF PASTORS.

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS.	AMOUNT.	BY WHOM TAKEN.
Mrs. Freeland.....	\$125.00	Millice.
" Robinson.....	85.00	Corkhill.
" Harris.....	85.00	Power.
" Worthington.....	85.00	McDonald.
" Bamford.....	85.00	Self.
" Coddington.....	75.00	McDonald.
" Wheeler.....	75.00	McDonald.
" Latham.....	75.00	McDonald.
" Friend.....	75.00	J. C. Kendrick.
" Woodford.....	60.00	Power.
" Boyles.....	60.00	R. S. Wilson.
" Donaldson.....	65.00	Millice.
" Hare.....	20.00	McDonald.
" Stewart.....	20.00	McDonald.
" Wayman.....	10.00	S. W. Byrkitt.
" Kirkpatrick.....	85.00	McDonald.
Total.....	\$1,085.00	

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. HILL, Chairman.  
JNO. W. WRIGHT, Secretary.

## 2. REPORT OF TREASURER OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

*To the Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church:*

DEAR BRETHREN—I herewith submit my annual report of the funds in my hands as Treasurer of your Board of Stewards:

1885			DR.		1886	CR.		
Sept.	8	To balance .....	\$183.05		Sept.	1	To Balance.....	\$198.65
		" interest to date.....	10.60					
"	25	" cash of Bro. Barton..	5.00					
		Total.....	\$198.65				Total.....	\$198.65
1886								
Sept.	1	To Balance.....	\$198.65					
		" int. on fund to date..	16.00					
		Total.....	\$214.65					

Respectfully submitted,  
Ottumwa, Iowa, September 1, 1886.

GEORGE HAW, Treasurer.

## R—TEMPERANCE.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

*Resolved*, That we hereby express our gratitude for the rapid and constant uprising of public opinion in favor of prohibition, and that we rejoice in the large measure of success that has thus far attended the efforts to enforce the prohibitory laws of the State.

*Resolved*, That the present is no time to abate any measure of effort or influence for the abolition of the last saloon from the last city of the State or Nation.

*Resolved*. That in politics there should ever be a full agreement between platforms and candidates, who thereon ask for the support of the people.

*Resolved*, That we earnestly entreat all our people to constantly maintain the strictest harmony between their profession of principles and the ballots which they cast at the polls.

J. B. BLAKENEY, Chairman.  
G. W. BYRKITT, Secretary.

## S—TOBACCO.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TOBACCO.

Regarding the using of tobacco, we are glad to know that there is a general spirit of reform throughout the bounds of the churches. Since the using of tobacco has again and again been proven to be injurious to the body, which is the temple of the Holy Ghost, and since the villeness of the habit plainly indicates it to be at variance with the spirit of the Gospel, and therefore sinful, it must come under the utter condemnation of the Church. And specially since the using of tobacco involves the expenditure of large sums of money, which is worse than wasted, and in many instances greatly abridges the ability of our people to support the Gospel and the benevolent enterprises of the Church.

And again, we have become more pained than ever to know that some of our brethren in the ministry continue to be slaves to the habit.

And further, since the using of tobacco on the part of any one in the ministry must have a great influence for evil, and specially from any who are occupying positions of authority, we would therefore humbly beg of our presiding Bishop that he would not appoint any tobacco user to any position of commanding authority, nor transfer any such one to labor in the ministry among us.

J. W. LAMBERT, Chairman.

F. W. ADAMS, Secretary.

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### T—TRACT CAUSE.

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRACT CAUSE.

WHEREAS, There has been manifest negligence among our pastors in taking the Tract collection, authorized by the Discipline of the Church, and believing that there is much good to be accomplished by the proper attention to this interest; therefore we recommend and urge that each pastor take a collection for this cause, and report not less than one dollar at the ensuing Conference.

G. W. YOUNKIN, Chairman.

S. R. FURGESON, Secretary.



# III.

## STATISTICAL TABLES.

### MISSIONARY TREASURER'S REPORT—1886.

#### 1—BURLINGTON DISTRICT—T. J. MYERS, P. E.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Apportion- ment.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per member.
Ainsworth.....	S. R. Ferguson....	125 00	85 00	25 00	110 00	30 00	.....	60
Burlington—First..	J. W. Alderman....	450 00	300 00	304 00	604 00	369 40	.....	1 25
Burlington—South..	A. V. Kendrick ...	60 00	55 00	5 00	60 00	10 00	.....	41
Burlington—West..	J. A. Ross.....	30 00	30 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	44
Burlington Circuit..	(Supplied).....	60 00	58 00	2 00	60 00	30 00	.....	60
Columbus Junction..	D. S. Dunlavy ....	40 00	8 00	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	12
Danville.....	W. R. Stryker.....	120 00	82 00	20 00	102 00	22 00	.....	83
Ft. Madison.....	W. E. Patterson..	65 00	23 00	13 00	36 00	.....	14 00	35
Kossuth.....	.....	110 00	62 00	.....	62 00	.....	18 00	36
Mediapolis.....	G. M. Tuttle.....	70 00	34 00	16 00	50 00	15 00	.....	35
Morning Sun.....	J. W. Lewis.....	70 00	35 00	.....	35 00	13 00	.....	27
Mt. Pleasant Ct....	F. R. Holcomb....	130 00	60 00	.....	60 00	.....	66 75	20
Mt. Union.....	E. E. Doud.....	85 00	71 00	.....	71 00	.....	11 00	58
New London.....	G. W. Byrkitt.....	65 00	13 00	.....	13 00	.....	2 00	11
Sperry.....	(Supplied).....	50 00	21 00	1 00	22 00	.....	19 00	19
Wapello.....	(Supplied).....	50 00	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	5 00	20
Wayland.....	W. A. Black.....	100 00	80 00	9 00	89 00	16 00	.....	28
West Point.....	M. See.....	50 00	18 50	.....	18 50	.....	1 50	10
Winfield.....	D. L. Hayward....	100 00	79 00	21 00	100 00	49 00	.....	45
Totals.....	.....	\$1,830 00	\$1,124 50	418 00	\$1,542 50	554 40	137 25	40

#### II—KEOKUK DISTRICT—G. N. POWER, P. E.

Bentonsport.....	G. W. Barber.....	\$80 00	29 00	3 00	32 00	5 00	.....	19
Birmingham.....	A. W. Haines.....	90 00	36 00	19 00	55 00	15 00	.....	27
Bloomfield.....	D. C. Smith.....	125 00	149 00	58 00	207 00	.....	.....	1 23
Centerville.....	W. G. Thorn.....	150 00	94 00	16 00	110 00	5 00	.....	37
Cincinnati.....	C. L. Tennant....	140 00	39 00	9 00	48 00	.....	3 00	15
Drakeville.....	(Supplied).....	75 00	51 00	7 00	58 00	14 75	.....	24
Farmington.....	J. F. Barnett.....	55 00	25 00	.....	25 00	15 00	.....	20
Keokuk—Chat'm Sq	W. G. Wilson.....	125 00	96 00	41 00	137 00	7 00	.....	64
Keokuk—First.....	R. L. Rose.....	90 00	36 00	24 00	60 00	13 00	.....	30
Keosauqua.....	W. N. Groom.....	100 00	50 00	20 00	70 00	.....	.....	40
Keosauqua Circuit..	W. N. Potter.....	90 00	46 00	4 00	50 00	22 00	.....	22
Lebanon.....	C. W. Shepherd...	80 00	34 00	10 00	44 00	2 00	.....	30
Milton.....	J. F. Robertson...	125 00	250 00	Leg'y	250 00	250 00	.....	30
Montrose.....	F. W. Otto.....	50 00	100 00	.....	100 00	10 00	.....	16
Moulton.....	B. M. Boydston...	60 00	22 00	3 00	25 00	20 00	.....	50
Moulton Circuit...	(Supplied).....	20 00	39 00	11 00	50 00	38 00	.....	00
Plano.....	(Supplied).....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 80	10
Pulaski.....	J. A. Sinclair.....	140 00	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	18 00	19
Salem & Hillsboro..	H. C. Millice.....	100 00	35 00	20 00	55 00	15 00	.....	17
Selma.....	J. H. Armacost....	90 00	43 00	3 00	46 00	29 00	.....	25
Troy.....	(Sup.) F. Stephens	75 00	38 00	5 00	43 00	.....	9 00	24
Totals.....	.....	\$1,910 00	\$1,266 00	258 00	\$1,524 00	460 75	45 80	36



## III—MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT—JOHN HAYNES, P. E.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Apportion- ment.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per member.
Abingdon .....	W. S. Kight .....	\$80 00	56 00	10 00	66 00	21 00	.....	33
Agency City .....	S. S. Martin .....	135 00	115 00	20 00	135 00	62 00	.....	45
Brighton .....	R. L. Patterson .....	95 00	35 00	10 00	45 00	2 00	.....	26
Delta .....	G. L. Cannon .....	100 00	25 00	.....	25 00	18 00	.....	24
Eldon .....	J. C. Kendrick .....	120 00	85 00	10 00	95 00	15 00	.....	40
Fairfield .....	M. Bamford .....	145 00	90 00	35 00	125 00	50 00	.....	60
Fairfield Circuit .....	(Sup) A. D. Richards .....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	22 00	.....	00
Keota .....	A. R. Miller .....	108 00	96 00	12 00	108 00	18 00	.....	62
Lexington .....	J. W. Hackley .....	90 00	95 00	36 00	131 00	.....	19 00	87
Martinsburg .....	E. D. Kilbourn .....	80 00	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	10 00	09
Mt. Pleasant .....	J. W. McDonald .....	250 00	203 00	53 00	256 00	1 74	.....	56
Richland .....	John Potter .....	108 00	53 00	.....	53 00	10 00	.....	30
Sigourney .....	W. N. Hall .....	88 00	50 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	40
Washington .....	I. O. Kemble .....	162 00	84 00	78 00	162 00	12 00	.....	50
Webster .....	W. S. Gardner .....	100 00	100 00	6 00	106 00	31 00	.....	60
What Cheer .....	S. C. Smith .....	108 00	75 00	21 00	96 00	21 00	.....	20
Totals .....	.....	\$1,844 00	\$1,177 00	291 00	\$1,468 00	261 74	51 00	40

## IV.—MUSCATINE DISTRICT—C. L. STAFFORD, P. E.

Blue Grass .....	H. F. Pugh .....	\$ 30 00	\$ 8 00	22 00	\$ 30 00	.....	.....	1 15
Kosta .....	(Supplied) .....	60 00	18 00	2 00	20 00	4 00	.....	20
Ladora .....	B. F. Shane .....	75 00	50 00	25 00	75 00	5 00	.....	1 00
Lettsville .....	U. B. Smith .....	100 00	72 00	.....	72 00	2 00	.....	46
Lone Tree .....	G. W. Younkin .....	65 00	16 00	5 00	21 00	8 00	.....	15
Marengo .....	J. E. Corley .....	120 00	75 00	45 00	120 00	55 00	.....	89
Millersburg .....	J. L. King .....	120 00	40 00	.....	40 00	10 00	.....	24
Muscatine .....	H. E. Wing .....	280 00	120 00	190 00	310 00	20 00	.....	82
Muscatine Circuit .....	D. A. Watters .....	175 00	89 00	42 00	131 00	1 00	.....	50
Oxford .....	C. W. Evans .....	75 00	75 00	5 00	80 00	15 00	.....	88
Pleasant Hill .....	John Davis .....	65 00	52 00	.....	52 00	5 00	.....	56
Riverside .....	F. W. Adams .....	100 00	42 00	13 00	55 00	13 00	.....	31
Sweetland Center .....	C. R. Norton .....	90 00	121 00	.....	121 00	30 00	.....	1 00
Tiffin .....	(Supplied) .....	50 00	41 00	.....	41 00	28 00	.....	58
Victor .....	J. W. Wright .....	130 00	31 00	20 00	51 00	1 00	.....	26
West Liberty .....	C. E. Lewis .....	85 00	60 00	30 00	90 00	35 00	.....	87
Williamsburg .....	M. S. Stryker .....	55 00	30 00	6 00	36 00	.....	.....	37
Wilton .....	E. L. Schreiner .....	150 00	155 00	60 00	215 00	30 00	.....	1 08
Totals .....	.....	\$1,825 00	\$1,095 00	465 00	\$1,560 00	262 00	.....	63

## V.—OSKALOOSA DISTRICT—D. MURPHY, P. E.

Brooklyn .....	R. A. Carmine .....	\$ 136 00	\$ 88 00	32 00	\$ 120 00	47 00	.....	57
Chester .....	C. V. Cowan .....	72 00	80 00	6 00	86 00	.....	34 00	75
Granville .....	R. Weese .....	122 00	45 00	.....	45 00	.....	11 00	23
Grinnell .....	(Sup) T. B. Hughes .....	117 00	111 00	14 00	125 00	.....	15 00	69
Grinnell Circuit .....	(Supplied) .....	53 00	55 00	15 00	70 00	28 00	.....	85
Kellogg .....	R. A. Allison .....	50 00	14 00	6 00	20 00	6 00	.....	23
Lynnville .....	O. C. Shelton .....	27 00	4 00	3 00	7 00	.....	17 00	15
Madison .....	I. N. Busby .....	28 00	28 00	.....	28 00	11 75	.....	65
Malcom .....	(Supplied) .....	12 00	12 00	.....	12 00	.....	1 00	67
Montezuma .....	J. G. Barton .....	125 00	107 00	33 00	140 00	5 00	.....	74
Montezuma Circuit .....	(Sup) R. H. McDade .....	86 00	80 00	.....	80 00	30 00	.....	58
New Sharon .....	J. W. Lambert .....	130 00	120 00	10 00	130 00	15 00	.....	65
Newton .....	J. A. Boatman .....	190 00	50 00	10 00	60 00	.....	66 00	20
Newton Circuit .....	S. F. Bishop .....	154 00	100 00	5 00	105 00	.....	40 00	62
North Newton Cir. ....	.....	27 00	13 00	3 00	16 00	.....	9 00	67
Oskaloosa 1st Ch. ....	D. C. Bevan .....	122 00	60 00	.....	60 00	.....	18 88	32
Oskaloosa Simpson .....	T. E. Corkhill .....	130 00	79 00	17 00	96 00	2 00	.....	48
Pella .....	.....	45 00	31 00	6 00	37 00	12 00	.....	54
Reasoner .....	James Clulow .....	101 00	51 00	2 00	53 00	.....	19 00	34
Rose Hill .....	J. W. Fraker .....	55 00	28 00	.....	28 00	21 00	.....	22
Totals .....	.....	\$1,782 00	\$1,156 00	162 00	\$1,318 00	171 75	230 88	50

## VI.—OTTUMWA DISTRICT—I. P. TETER, P. E.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	Apportion- ment.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Albia .....	W. F. Cowles .....	\$ 150 00	\$ 207 00	.....	\$ 207 00	5 00	.....	91
Albia Circuit .....	S. P. Sonden .....	75 00	38 00	2 00	40 00	8 00	.....	27
Attica .....	.....	100 00	18 00	.....	18 00	.....	22 00	10
Beacon .....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 10	.....
Cedar .....	E. J. Pike .....	125 00	85 00	.....	85 00	.....	40 00	24
Chillicothe .....	W. A. Gibbens .....	80 00	60 00	2 00	62 00	.....	10 00	36
Durham .....	A. Latimer .....	125 00	62 00	3 00	65 00	5 00	.....	33
Eddyville .....	.....	25 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	15 00	05
Kirkville .....	L. O. Housel .....	125 00	87 00	3 00	90 00	9 00	.....	52
Knoxville .....	F. W. Evans .....	150 00	70 79	48 00	118 79	.....	31 21	42
Lovilia .....	.....	50 00	25 00	.....	25 00	.....	1 00	11
Marysville .....	S. H. Thomas .....	50 00	22 00	4 00	26 00	2 00	.....	17
Melrose .....	J. B. Hill .....	50 00	25 00	.....	25 00	69	.....	18
Ottumwa 1st Church	J. B. Blakeney .....	250 00	150 00	74 00	224 00	42 95	.....	65
Ottumwa Main St...	J. W. Robinson .....	85 00	23 00	25 00	48 00	.....	16 00	22
Unionville .....	R. G. Wilson .....	85 00	75 00	10 00	85 00	48 00	.....	30
Wesley Chapel .....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....
Totals .....	.....	\$1,610 00	\$ 952 79	171 00	\$1,123 79	120 64	151 31	27

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	PRESIDING ELDERS.	Apportion- ment.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per member.
Burlington .....	T. J. Myers .....	\$1,830 00	\$1,124 50	\$418 00	\$1,542 50	\$417 15	.....	40
Keokuk .....	G. N. Power .....	1,910 00	1,266 00	258 00	1,524 00	414 95	.....	36
Mt. Pleasant .....	John Haynes .....	1,844 00	1,177 00	291 00	1,468 00	210 74	.....	40
Muscatine .....	C. L. Stafford .....	1,825 00	1,095 00	465 00	1,560 00	262 00	.....	63
Oskaloosa .....	D. Murphy .....	1,782 00	1,156 00	162 00	1,318 00	.....	\$25 13	50
Ottumwa .....	I. P. Teter .....	1,610 00	952 79	171 00	1,123 79	.....	30 67	28
Totals .....	.....	\$10,801 00	\$6,771 29	\$1,765 00	\$8,536 29	1,304 84	\$55 80	43

*Treasurer in Account with the Missionary Society of the Iowa Annual Conference for the year ending September 2, 1886.*

	DR.	CR.
To amount of cash collections from charges .....	\$8,436 29	.....
“ “ “ due bill due January 1, 1887 .....	100 00	.....
“ “ “ balance on hand last report .....	227 00	.....
By cash paid Cranston & Stowe September 4, 1886 .....	.....	\$6,610 78
“ “ “ forwarded during the year .....	.....	1,976 22
“ “ “ for publication of report of 1885 .....	.....	20 00
“ “ “ for blanks, exchange and postage .....	.....	2 85
“ “ “ on hand (including due bill of \$100) .....	.....	153 44
Totals .....	\$8,763 29	\$8,763 29

C. W. SHEPHERD, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1.—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERS.				BAPT'ISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.							BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.							SUPPORT		
	Probab'n's	Full Members	L. Preach's	Deaths	Children	Adults	Churches	Probable Value	Parson's Value	Building & Improving	Paid on old Debts	Present Debts	Current Expenses	For Board of Church Extension	For S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freed- men's Aid Society	For Education	For Amer- ican Bible Society	For W. F. M. Society	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops	Conference Clergymen	Other Collections
Ainsworth.....	37	180	1	8	20	34	4	\$6,500	1 \$ 800	900	150	200	\$ 75	5	1	1	25	5	1	...	921	25	\$ 40
Burlington, 1st Ch..	24	480	1	4	25	62	1	20,000	1 4,000	275	...	...	1,350	75	13	13	65	45	20	250	2,598	140	\$ 281
Burlington, South...	23	185	1	1	4	23	1	1,500	1 2,000	...	148	390	70	1	1	1	1	8	1	30	1,081	10	2
Burlington, West...	4	60	...	...	7	7	2	4,300	...	...	1100	350	60	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	528	5	...
Burlington Circuit..	2	104	...	2	...	...	2½	2,500	...	20	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	21	378	5	...
Columbus Junction..	3	80	...	1	...	2	3	4,500	...	25	...	40	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	328	...	...
Danville.....	1	122	...	2	...	3	2	8,000	1 1,250	50	...	...	75	5	1	1	5	10	1	55	1,048	5	...
Ft. Madison.....	1	97	1	...	3	2	1	1,500	...	...	...	...	75	2	1	1	2	1	...	...	724	3	...
Kossuth.....	13	164	...	1	10	2	1	1,900	2 1,500	58	...	...	92	4	1	2	5	4	1	41	712	7	...
Mediapolis.....	3	130	...	1	5	1	1	2,500	1 1,000	75	35	500	114	10	1	1	10	2	4	18	867	9	10
Morning Sun.....	5	127	...	3	...	3	2	3,550	...	...	...	4	65	3	...	...	4	...	...	...	768	5	...
Mt. Pleasant Circuit	9	240	2	3	...	10	4	44	...	75	...	...	160	2	...	...	2	3	2	...	780	13	...
Mt. Union.....	7	125	1	2	3	10	2	2,000	1 600	105	...	300	50	5	...	...	17	...	...	...	411	7	...
New London.....	1	145	...	1	...	2	2	1,500	1 1,000	...	425	...	80	4	2	1	3	4	...	23	565	2	...
Sperry.....	4	170	...	1	2	12	4	4,500	...	600	...	200	25	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	391	5	...
Wapello.....	...	50	1	1	...	...	3	5,000	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	330	...	...
Wayland.....	17	352	2	4	...	14	4	4,000	2 1,200	275	...	...	175	3	...	...	2	...	4	2	895	12	...
West Point.....	...	125	...	2	1	1	2	4,000	1 200	10	4	11	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	324	5	...
Winfield.....	12	229	...	4	10	17	3	4,200	1 800	41	...	...	80	14	5	5	14	5	...	21	892	14	...
Totals .....	165	3,265	9	41	80	211	43½	81,499	13 16,350	2509	1862	1995	2,656	137	26	26	\$ 157	\$ 87	\$ 38	\$ 468	\$ 14,341	\$ 272	\$ 333

KEOKUK DISTRICT.

Bentonsport.....	11	166	3	2	...	4	5	\$4,000	1 \$ 400	\$ 31	...	...	\$ 55	2	1	1	1	2	1	...	555	8	\$ 5
Birmingham.....	10	203	...	2	...	7	4	5,000	2 850	150	...	...	125	5	1	...	7	4	...	33	680	8	10
Bloomfield.....	25	321	3	4	...	84	1	4,000	1 2,000	2000	...	...	152	10	10	7	10	33	21	80	1,107	20	...
Centerville.....	31	398	2	4	...	...	22	1	6,000	1 1,200	54	...	153	15	3	3	7	5	...	48	1,069	20	16
Cincinnati.....	9	320	2	3	1	15	5	5,200	1 700	30	23	30	40	6	2	2	10	7	...	20	623	7	...
Drakeville.....	19	236	2	5	2	44	2	1,500	1 300	115	45	...	55	1	...	...	1	...	11	...	622	7	...
Farmington.....	7	120	...	1	2	5	3	4,400	1 1,100	15	30	...	...	3	1	2	3	3	1	...	421	7	...
Keokuk, Chatham S.	18	214	...	4	4	14	1	15,000	1 5,000	...	2000	360	...	10	3	2	10	6	...	86	1,402	10	...
Keokuk, 1st Church.	10	198	1	3	2	3	1	6,000	...	32	...	...	166	2	1	1	2	15	3	...	589	8	...
Keosauqua.....	40	175	...	2	1	...	1	5,000	1 1,700	...	32	400	150	4	1	1	5	10	1	17	685	10	150
Keosauqua Circuit..	12	280	...	2	...	57	4	4,200	...	60	...	...	...	4	2	1	2	2	...	...	554	8	...
Lebanon.....	4	148	1	4	...	4	5	4,500	1 500	33	...	...	30	4	3	2	4	5	1	6	587	8	3
Milton.....	10	304	3	5	2	35	3	6,000	1 700	2000	90	500	100	5	1	1	2	2	6	6	902	10	100
Montrose.....	21	152	1	1	...	35	2	2,000	1 100	...	...	...	35	2	1	1	2	3	...	10	506	6	3
Monilton.....	8	104	1	1	6	10	1	2,000	1 600	75	80	...	60	...	...	...	10	5	3	1	572	5	...
Plano.....	1	92	2	1	...	4	4	4,000	...	...	59	200	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	234	...	...
Pulaski.....	4	290	2	6	...	19	6	7,000	1 700	127	232	...	77	2	1	...	2	5	3	20	596	8	...
Salem & Hillsboro..	20	255	...	4	1	28	6	7,000	1 500	300	...	100	110	1	4	4	6	13	...	...	665	22	...
Selma.....	4	175	...	2	...	2	4	5,000	1 800	...	...	...	40	2	1	1	2	3	...	37	566	4	2
Troy.....	12	197	2	1	2	3	3	2,500	1 700	80	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	444	4	1
Totals.....	276	4,348	27	53	34	410	62	100,300	18 17,850	5102	591	3230	1,758	\$ 79	\$ 27	\$ 29	\$ 97	\$ 123	\$ 51	\$ 364	\$ 13,250	\$ 180	\$ 290

## STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1.—MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERS.				BAPT 'SM		CHURCH PROPERTY.							BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.							SUPPORT.			Other Collections
	Probats	Full Members	L Preach's	Deaths	Children	Adults	Churches	Probable Value	Parson'ges	Probable Value	Building & Improving	Paid on old debts	Present debts	Current expenses	For Board of Church Extension	For S. S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freed- men's Aid Society	For Education	For Amer- ican Bible Society	For W. F. M. Society	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops	Conference Claimants	
Abingdon.....	13	196	1	3	....	25	2	\$1,600	...	...	150	...	...	30	\$ 8	1	1	9	5	...	11	\$436	15	....
Agency City.....	10	316	3	...	2	60	3	6,000	2	\$1,200	100	600	...	150	10	1	1	10	20	...	3	923	20	....
Brighton.....	4	175	2	1	6	12	4	4,000	1	600	110	...	...	50	1	...	...	1	3	...	8	485	...	....
Delta Circuit.....	9	137	...	...	...	15	3	3,250	...	...	18	237	161	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	309	3	....
Eldon.....	18	223	2	1	6	17	3	4,500	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	3	1	2	7	906	7	75
Fairfield.....	17	220	3	5	5	25	1	12,000	...	...	350	250	500	275	...	6	5	5	10	3	48	1,118	27	....
Fairfield Circuit.....	3	92	2	1	...	1	4	2,300	1	250	140	...	7	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	230	...	....
Keota.....	9	172	...	2	3	28	4	3,500	...	...	25	...	...	100	13	...	...	20	5	...	27	666	10	35
Lexington.....	...	151	1	1	4	4	2	3,800	1	800	19	...	...	110	13	3	3	22	12	4	79	723	20	100
Martinsburg.....	1	130	2	2	...	2	4	3,000	1	400	500	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	402	...	....
Mt. Pleasant.....	24	463	5	8	...	6	1	22,000	1	3,500	...	...	...	346	18	10	8	21	17	20	316	1,609	26	31
Richland.....	13	174	2	1	...	...	4	5,500	1	1,000	...	...	450	50	1	...	...	1	8	...	...	646	5	....
Sigourney.....	9	128	1	4	....	1	1	1,500	1	500	129	...	...	51	2	6	5	3	...	5	25	780	3	....
Washington.....	6	330	...	2	8	9	1	6,000	1	1,500	700	...	...	246	30	7	7	30	17	20	...	1,235	36	....
Webster.....	3	175	...	1	...	11	3	3,700	1	250	75	...	...	50	10	1	1	10	19	...	...	598	18	....
What Cheer.....	23	206	4	...	7	18	2	3,000	1	1,000	75	400	800	150	2	...	...	...	5	...	7	950	12	....
Totals.....	160	3,328	28	32	41	234	42	85,650	12	11,000	2391	1487	1,782	...	\$111	\$35	\$31	\$135	\$125	\$65	\$544	\$12,016	\$202	\$241

## MUSCATINE DISTRICT.

Blue Grass.....	2	26	..	..	..	..	3	\$5,000	1	\$ 450	\$ 10	..	..	\$ 50	\$ 1	..	..	3	..	..	..	\$ 673	\$1	\$ 35
Kosta.....	16	105	1	1	11	2	3	2,800	1	300	20	\$ 40	..	..	4	\$ 2	\$ 1	8	2	\$ 2	..	647	5	..
Ladora.....	8	85	..	4	1	12	2	2,500	1	800	..	141	100	..	4	5	5	15	8	\$ 1	..	734	12	..
Lettsville.....	14	223	1	2	5	17	3	7,200	1	1,200	120	..	..	200	3	..	..	2	20	..	..	940	10	..
Lone Tree.....	2	92	..	2	2	4	2	3,600	1	750	54	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	592	2	..
Marengo.....	4	135	..	7	2	4	1	3,000	1	2,000	90	..	..	175	7	2	1	20	8	4	23	1,027	20	175
Millersburg.....	2	189	1	1	8	13	3	5,800	1	600	700	30	200	70	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	565	3	..
Muscatine.....	11	376	5	1	3	14	1	30,000	..	..	..	..	..	633	20	7	4	30	20	15	185	1,615	50	78
Muscatine Circuit,...	6	250	1	5	4	5	4	9,500	1	1,500	1000	..	..	200	4	2	1	8	8	2	40	1,037	20	80
Oxford.....	25	134	..	1	8	15	1	4,000	1	1,200	..	..	200	72	2	1	1	3	1	1	26	633	4	72
Pleasant Hill.....	28	92	..	..	..	..	4	4,600	1	1,000	50	..	..	80	1	1	1	2	1	1	..	785	5	..
Riverside.....	2	145	..	..	..	..	4	6,200	2	1,200	40	45	115	100	5	2	2	6	7	3	..	849	10	50
Sweetland Center.....	16	121	..	4	..	15	3	6,000	1	1,300	60	..	..	50	3	1	1	5	2	1	..	950	12	25
Tiffin.....	2	60	..	..	..	..	3	6,000	1	700	..	..	..	15	1	1	1	2	4	1	20	482	4	..
Victor.....	8	182	1	1	5	3	2	4,500	1	700	50	..	..	125	2	1	1	6	5	1	55	881	5	5
West Liberty.....	1	104	1	1	..	13	2	9,000	1	1,500	..	..	1100	..	5	1	1	3	3	1	..	1,196	12	..
Williamsburg.....	6	93	..	..	..	..	4	3,000	1	800	150	15	..	86	5	1	1	5	2	1	..	354	8	..
Wilton.....	16	200	1	5	1	7	1	4,500	1	2,000	50	100	..	150	10	4	3	10	23	3	130	1,122	50	..
Totals.....	169	2,612	12	35	50	124	46	117,200	18	18,000	2535	371	1715	2,006	\$ 79	\$ 31	\$ 22	\$ 129	\$ 118	\$ 480	\$ 15,082	\$ 233	\$ 540	

# STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1—OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERS.				BAPTISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.							BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.							SUPPORT.			Other Collections	
	Probats	Full Members	L Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Churches	Probable Value	Parson's ages	Probable Value	Building & Improving	Paid on old Debts	Present Debts	Current Expenses	For Board of Church Extension	For S. S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freed- men's Aid Society	For Education	For Ameri- can Bible Society	For W. F. M. Society	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops	Conference Claimants		
Brooklyn	30	265	1	2	...	31	1	\$ 10,000	1	\$ 2,000	\$ 65	1104	...	\$ 244	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 6	\$ 3	...	\$ 71	\$ 1,253	\$ 10	...	
Chester & Sheridan	10	115	1	...	1	3	2	5,800	1	1,500	...	...	...	125	10	...	...	10	6	...	4	714	15	12	
Granville	3	180	...	...	...	9	3	2,500	1	200	70	...	...	30	1	...	...	3	...	1	...	647	3	...	
Grinnell	17	224	1	...	3	11	1	5,000	1	3,000	110	...	...	215	10	2	2	10	3	...	96	1,213	40	10	
Grinnell Circuit	9	92	2	...	11	9	2	2,900	...	...	...	52	...	75	4	...	...	3	...	...	...	558	7	...	
Kellogg	3	65	1	1	1	6	2	3,000	1	400	1,200	...	300	100	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	468	1	...
Lynnville	3	48	1	...	...	1	2	2,800	1	500	...	...	...	15	1	1	...	1	3	...	...	130	2	...	
Madison	...	39	1	...	...	...	1	1,000	...	...	...	...	...	50	2	2	1	1	5	1	...	350	3	...	
Maleolm	1	25	1	...	...	...	1	2,500	...	...	...	50	100	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	
Montezuma	1	190	2	...	3	1	1	3,500	1	800	50	...	...	160	12	7	6	19	14	8	45	1,103	40	...	
Montezuma Circuit	3	140	1	...	...	...	4	5,000	...	...	...	30	100	15	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	783	30	3	
New Sharon	24	212	1	...	...	9	3	6,600	1	600	...	...	...	200	3	1	1	2	1	1	24	1,027	5	3	
Newton	30	290	2	...	1	10	1	10,000	...	6,200	1800	400	175	...	2	1	1	15	1	...	18	1,200	13	...	
Newton Circuit	3	170	1	...	...	2	4	6,000	1	500	2,500	250	...	100	5	5	3	3	9	2	46	718	10	...	
North Newton Ct.	3	24	1	...	...	...	1	1,600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	245	1	...	
Oskaloosa, First Ch.	11	229	2	4	10	6	1	4,000	1	2,000	210	...	...	300	2	5	5	2	12	...	...	1,318	10	...	
Oskaloosa, Simpson	18	214	2	3	2	9	1	20,000	1	2,000	135	265	600	295	4	6	5	6	13	2	11	1,881	8	245	
Pella	15	79	1	...	1	11	1	2,000	1	1,000	...	...	...	80	2	...	...	2	...	...	42	571	5	...	
Reasoner	10	153	1	...	...	...	4	5,000	...	...	25	...	...	40	4	...	...	4	4	...	...	513	11	...	
Rose Hill	5	120	1	3	...	3	4	4,000	1	600	47	...	220	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	520	4	...	
Totals	199	2874	11	26	33	122	40	\$103,200	13	\$15,200	10612	3551	1720	2,314	\$ 69	\$ 32	\$ 27	\$ 90	\$ 79	\$ 17	\$ 389	\$ 15,212	\$ 225	\$ 273	

## OTTUMWA DISTRICT.

Albia.....	3	227	2	1	2	3	1	\$ 3,500	1	\$ 2,000	\$ 15	...	250	\$ 278	\$ 15	\$ 1	\$ 1	15	\$ 10	\$ 33	\$ 113	\$ 1,125	\$ 18	...	...
Albia Circuit.....	16	146	...	3	2	4	4	3,700	...	...	120	...	...	60	...	3	1	4	9	11	...	469	4	...	...
Attea.....	4	175	1	1	1	3	4	5,000	1	700	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	581	...	...	...
Beacon.....	...	70	3	...	5	3	...	4,800	1	800	...	...	850	80	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cedar.....	7	300	1	...	...	9	4½	5,100	1	1,300	...	...	225	100	4	3	1	5	5	16	...	904	11	...	...
Chillieothe.....	12	170	2	2	3	7	4	4,900	1	700	1400	108	...	40	1	2	2	2	3	10	...	680	5	...	...
Durham.....	20	200	2	4	2	2	5	6,000	1	600	400	...	100	200	8	...	...	7	...	...	...	690	12	...	...
Eddyville.....	...	58	1	2	6	...	1	3,000	...	...	50	10	...	100	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	347	1	...	...
Kirkville.....	1	196	2	1	...	2	2	6,500	1	1,000	75	...	...	155	3	...	...	4	11	1	...	982	20	...	...
Knoxville.....	3	278	3	3	1	3	1	5,000	...	...	...	...	...	260	7	9	5	9	4	5	...	1,172	17	63	...
Lovillia.....	5	101	2	2	...	8	4	5,000	...	...	410	...	...	45	2	...	...	2	...	6	...	442	5	...	...
Marysville.....	7	158	1	3	...	7	4	4,500	1	300	70	...	...	35	1	1	1	1	6	2	...	398	3	...	...
Melrose.....	6	133	1	1	1	3	2	3,000	...	...	...	...	...	50	3	...	...	...	7	11	...	510	5	...	...
Ottumwa, First Ch.	2	350	1	3	8	...	1	33,000	1	2,200	...	...	4000	655	26	8	5	20	30	45	70	1,668	64	...	...
Ottumwa, Main St.	15	200	3	1	12	12	1	10,000	...	...	...	...	...	300	...	3	2	...	...	23	...	1,080	4	...	...
Unionville.....	25	280	1	3	4	35	5	3,900	1	600	60	...	260	60	10	1	1	10	10	50	1	649	12	7	...
Wesley Chapel.....	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	181	...	10	...
Totals.....	126	3092	26	30	47	96	46½	\$109,000	10	\$10,200	2,628	118	5685	2768	\$ 84	\$ 28	\$ 18	\$ 80	\$ 97	\$ 193	\$ 190	\$ 11,878	\$ 181	\$ 70	...

## STATISTICAL REPORT No. 1.

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP				BAPT' SM		CHURCH PROPERTY.							BENEVOLENT COLLECT'NS.							SUPPORT.		Other Collections.	
	No. of Probat'rs	No. Full Members	L. Preach's	No. Deaths	Children	Adults	Churches	Probable Value	Parson' ges	Probable Value	Building & Improving	Paid on old Debts	Present Debts	Current Expenses	For Board Ch. Exten.	For S. S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freed- men's Aid.	For Education	For Amer. Bible Soc'y	W. F. M. Society	For Pastor, P. Elder & Bishops.		Conference Claimants
Burlington .....	165	3,265	9	41	80	211	43½	\$81,499	13	16,350	\$2,509	1,862	\$1,995	\$2,656	137	26	26	157	87	38	468	\$ 14,341	\$ 272	\$ 333
Keokuk.....	276	4,348	27	53	34	410	62	100,300	18	17,850	5,102	591	3,230	1,758	79	27	29	97	123	51	364	13,250	180	290
Mt. Pleasant.....	160	3,328	28	32	41	234	42	85,650	12	11,000	2,391	1,487	2,018	1,782	111	35	31	135	125	65	544	12,016	202	241
Muscatine.....	169	2,612	12	35	50	124	46	117,200	18	18,000	2,535	371	1,715	2,008	79	31	22	129	118	38	480	15,082	233	365
Oskaloosa.....	199	2,874	11	26	33	122	40	103,200	13	15,200	10,612	3,551	1,720	2,314	69	32	27	90	79	17	389	15,212	225	273
Ottumwa.....	126	3,092	26	30	47	96	46½	109,000	10	10,200	2,628	118	5,685	2,768	84	28	18	80	97	193	190	11,878	181	70
Total this year..	1095	19,519	113	217	285	1,197	279	596,849	84	88,600	25,777	7,980	16,363	13,286	559	179	153	688	629	402	2,435	\$ 81,779	1,293	1,572
Total last year..	998	18,696	118	240	201	851	279	605,810	84	87,150	22,115	9,964	21,461	11,418	516	123	85	597	654	366	2,181	82,781	1,247	904
Increase.....	97	823	..	..	84	346	..	..	..	1,450	\$2,662	..	..	\$1,868	\$ 43	\$ 56	\$ 68	\$ 91	..	\$ 36	\$ 254	..	\$ 46	\$ 668
Decrease.....	..	..	5	23	..	..	..	\$ 8,961	..	..	..	..	\$ 984	\$5,099	..	..	..	\$ 25	..	..	..	\$ 1,002	..	..

NOTE—For the Woman's Home Missionary Society there was the sum of \$215.00 raised this year, as follows: Burlington District, \$10.00; Keokuk \$1.00; Mt. Pleasant \$7.00; Muscatine \$173.00; Oskaloosa \$10.00; Ottumwa \$14.00--being an increase of \$69.00.



# STATISTICAL REPORTS Nos. 2 AND 3—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	PASTORS.			ELDER		BISHOPS.		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.															
	Pastor's Claims.	Pastor's Receipts.	Deficiency.	Appor't'n'd	Paid.	Amount Appor't'n'd	Amount Paid.	Amount Appor't'n'd	Amount Paid.	No Schools	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages	Scholars 15 yrs. & over.	Under 15, except I. C.	Scholars in Infant Clas	Average Attend'nce	No. Library Books.	Expenses this year.	S. S. Advo- cates taken	S. S. Class- mates taken	S. S. Jour- nals taken.	Officers and T'ch'rs Ch.	Members or Probab'n's	Sch'ls who are Church memb'rs or Probab'n's	Conversion in S. School
Ainsworth.....	\$1,021	\$1,021	.....	\$ 90	\$ 90	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 30	\$ 25	4	35	240	100	91	45	200	.....	\$ 60	25	25	25	.....	58	125	50
Burlington—First...	2,300	2,300	.....	260	260	38	38	120	140	1	58	500	150	244	106	282	975	303	155	75	6	.....	.....	80	
Burlington—South...	1,000	1,000	.....	72	72	9	9	25	10	1	23	225	36	159	30	176	.....	59	.....	.....	18	.....	21	60	36
Burlington—West...	500	500	.....	25	25	5	3	10	5	1	11	116	31	60	25	58	50	52	.....	.....	2	.....	11	5	5
Burlington Circuit...	300	300	.....	70	70	8	8	25	5	4	30	170	100	40	30	150	300	30	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	2
Columbus Junction..	450	300	150	40	25	5	3	.....	.....	1	6	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	12	.....	.....	6	.....	10	.....
Danville.....	950	950	.....	85	85	13	13	35	5	2	23	120	82	.....	28	84	250	50	100	.....	15	22	.....	5	.....
Ft. Madison.....	650	650	.....	65	65	9	9	.....	3	1	13	125	50	65	20	80	150	50	.....	.....	8	12	10	1	.....
Kossuth.....	806	712	94	75	63	9	7	30	7	3	29	181	71	57	38	100	165	30	20	.....	14	26	62	16	.....
Mediapolis.....	867	867	.....	60	60	7	7	.....	9	1	18	185	.....	.....	30	150	100	60	50	50	13	17	100	.....	.....
Morning Sun.....	720	695	25	70	67	9	7	25	5	1	13	125	75	25	25	10	.....	40	25	25	13	13	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant Ct.....	800	760	100	80	70	12	10	30	13	5	45	300	150	100	50	200	66	.....	20	.....	7	45	.....	17	.....
Mt. Union.....	450	366	84	66	39	8	6	15	7	2	16	83	47	8	20	53	.....	11	.....	30	15	25	.....	9	.....
New London.....	766	516	250	64	41	5	5	20	2	2	17	102	50	31	16	65	.....	35	.....	12	16	24	.....	.....	.....
Sperry.....	500	344	156	60	42	5	4	10	5	2	20	80	30	30	20	60	100	15	15	.....	5	20	50	.....	.....
Wapello.....	500	300	2 0	60	28	8	4	8	.....	1	10	100	70	20	10	70	.....	40	50	30	.....	18	10	.....	.....
Wayland.....	800	800	.....	85	85	10	10	25	12	4	51	310	.....	.....	35	.....	55	20	15	15	.....	5	30	.....	.....
West Point.....	550	550	.....	65	35	8	4	15	5	1	10	75	60	10	8	100	.....	10	50	.....	6	.....	.....	30	.....
Winfield.....	900	900	.....	80	80	12	12	25	14	3	26	158	78	48	32	109	65	76	45	45	12	25	44	19	.....
Totals.....	14,830	13,771	1,059	1,472	1,305	\$ 189	\$ 169	\$ 448	\$ 272	40	454	3,217	1,172	992	568	1,947	2,221	976	587	302	201	358	555	240	.....

## KEOKUK DISTRICT.

Bentonsport .....	\$ 636	\$ 490	\$ 146	\$ 70	\$ 57	\$ 10	\$ 8	\$ 25	\$ 8	4	42	252	90	87	75	216	.....	48	4	.....	6	27	19	4	.....
Birmingham .....	660	600	60	80	74	11	9	30	8	3	20	130	75	25	30	100	.....	25	19	.....	1	.....	65	30	.....
Bloomfield .....	1,000	1,00	.....	95	95	12	12	30	20	1	23	242	107	85	50	200	100	50	.....	20	23	.....	57	.....	
Centerville .....	1,050	1,050	.....	105	105	14	14	35	20	1	22	177	52	93	27	150	200	68	60	60	.....	22	66	22	.....
Cincinnati .....	675	600	75	90	90	10	8	30	7	5	54	270	175	70	25	230	.....	70	.....	5	48	.....	.....	.....	
Drakeville .....	550	550	.....	65	65	6	6	15	7	2	24	190	40	45	.....	80	50	4	.....	5	17	12	10	.....	
Farmington .....	580	446	134	65	50	6	5	15	7	2	20	100	60	20	20	75	.....	20	25	25	6	15	.....	5	.....
Keokuk—Chat'm Sq	1,300	1,3 0	.....	90	90	12	12	25	10	1	21	172	62	55	55	111	300	76	100	.....	20	21	63	17	.....
Keokuk—First .....	700	534	166	60	50	8	5	15	8	1	17	110	12	31	16	78	315	34	.....	3	13	6	4	.....	
Keosauqua .....	700	600	100	75	70	10	10	25	10	1	14	130	80	40	40	90	.....	30	.....	9	14	90	.....	.....	
Keosauqua Circuit..	500	500	.....	60	47	7	7	20	8	4	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lebanon .....	700	525	175	75	55	10	7	20	8	5	45	215	125	61	30	200	30	33	12	6	16	40	75	3	.....
Milton .....	800	800	.....	90	90	12	12	30	10	3	40	200	125	50	25	170	.....	30	.....	12	35	50	.....	.....	
Montrose .....	500	455	45	50	45	6	6	20	6	3	30	120	90	55	35	150	.....	44	.....	.....	25	.....	50	.....	
Monlton .....	600	500	100	65	65	7	7	20	5	1	18	150	65	55	30	125	.....	40	.....	12	16	35	15	.....	
Plano .....	430	196	234	60	32	5	5	15	.....	2	12	60	35	19	6	45	.....	16	.....	3	12	17	.....	.....	
Pulaski .....	673	573	100	90	85	12	10	30	8	5	47	296	167	123	74	205	125	54	80	30	11	33	89	15	.....
Salem & Hillsboro...	660	600	60	90	62	10	3	30	22	5	48	373	192	112	60	239	81	63	.....	.....	36	89	35	.....	
Selma .....	676	501	175	80	58	10	7	25	4	5	20	150	50	75	25	100	100	30	18	18	12	20	75	2	.....
Troy .....	500	385	115	60	54	7	7	14	4	4	36	170	65	85	22	140	32	.....	.....	8	36	85	4	.....	
Totals .....	13,890	12,205	1,685	1,515	1,339	\$ 185	\$ 160	\$ 469	\$ 180	58	589	3,467	1,667	1190	645	2,700	1,233	735	318	134	149	453	836	271	.....



## STATISTICAL REPORTS Nos. 2 AND 3—MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	PASTORS.			ELDER		BISHOPS.		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.															
	Pastor's Claims.	Pastor's Receipts.	Deficiency.	Apport'n'd	Paid.	Amount Apport'n'd	Amount Paid.	Amount Apport'n'd	Amount Paid.	No Schools	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages	Scholars 15 yrs. & over.	Under 15, except I. C.	Scholars in Infant Clas	Average Attend'nce	No. Library Books.	Expenses this year.	S. S. Advo- cates taken	S. S. Class- mates takn	S. S. Jour- nals taken.	Officers and T'ch'rs Ch.	Membr's or Probab'n's	Sch'rs who are Church memb'rs or Probab'n's	Conversion in S. School
Abingdon .....	\$ 450	\$ 381	\$ 69	\$ 60	48	\$ 7	7	\$ 18	15	4	40	200	90	60	50	170	...	\$ 20	38	13	2		40	150	30
Agency City.....	810	810	...	100	100	13	13	30	20	3	35	250	125	65	60	225	...	100	75	75	16	33	100	80	
Brighton .....	660	492	168	70	50	8	3	...	...	4	41	250	110	50	90	220	...	80	30	30	12	41	140	10	
Delta Circuit.....	448	271	177	70	34	9	4	22	3	3	20	110	84	12	14	80	...	21	...	...	6	19	50	18	
Eldon.....	805	805	...	90	90	11	11	...	7	3	40	266	...	...	...	190	...	50	40	20	31	...	...	40	
Fairfield.....	1,000	1,000	...	105	105	13	13	31	27	1	22	205	68	96	41	189	...	51	75	...	7	21	64	28	
Fairfield Circuit....	400	228	172	55	...	7	2	...	...	4	25	120	70	20	30	110	...	30	...	...	1	25	83	...	
Keota.....	600	587	13	80	78	10	10	24	10	3	36	265	90	120	55	202	...	81	...	...	8	28	125	31	
Lexington .....	725	725	...	65	65	8	8	19	20	2	19	173	122	17	34	130	...	23	...	...	12	19	...	7	
Martinsburg.....	660	405	255	60	53	7	4	18	...	2	20	200	100	75	25	94	...	50	50	50	2	19	90	...	
Mt. Pleasant .....	1,400	1,400	...	185	185	24	24	55	26	1	24	220	...	...	65	172	250	73	...	...	7	22	...	10	
Richland .....	700	574	126	80	64	10	8	20	5	4	40	280	146	80	60	275	...	73	20	...	20	30	...	11	
Sigourney.....	775	707	68	65	65	8	8	19	3	1	14	79	15	38	26	60	...	56	40	40	10	14	8	1	
Washington.....	1,100	1,100	...	120	120	15	15	36	36	1	40	250	100	100	50	200	550	97	100	100	33	35	75	...	
Webster.....	600	534	66	75	64	9	9	22	18	3	27	150	50	80	20	55	...	35	...	...	6	26	40	20	
What Cheer.....	860	860	...	80	80	10	10	24	12	2	33	233	125	45	63	185	...	60	110	80	22	33	120	35	
Totals.....	11,993	10,879	1,114	1,360	1,201	\$ 169	\$ 149	\$ 338	202	41	476	3251	1295	858	683	2557	860	950	548	328	165	405	1045	351	

## MUSCATINE DISTRICT.

Blue Grass .....	\$ 700	\$ 621	\$ 79	\$ 45	\$ 45	\$ 7	\$ 7	10	5	2	20	213	77	71	65	181	240	50	40	40	15	15	72	1
Kosta .....	650	630	20	60	60	7	7	10	5	2	20	136	75	41	14	80	50	22	...	...	6	10	23	4
Ladora .....	660	660	...	65	65	9	9	10	12	2	25	150	100	25	25	80	...	50	...	40	10	25	75	20
Lettsville .....	950	850	100	82	82	9	9	12	10	3	28	185	...	...	...	140	...	60	60	60	11	25	...	23
Lone Tree .....	750	624	126	72	62	8	6	...	2	2	18	95	50	35	10	65	150	35	...	...	9	12	30	5
Marengo .....	920	920	...	95	95	12	12	20	...	1	18	142	45	42	55	145	100	41	...	...	20	16	20	...
Millersburg .....	750	547	203	76	56	8	7	...	3	3	34	246	125	54	82	154	...	54	30	30	9	23	52	15
Muscatine .....	1,400	1,400	...	195	195	20	20	50	50	1	42	275	109	101	65	216	430	175	...	...	38	42	191	18
Muscatine Circuit .....	900	900	...	125	125	12	12	35	20	4	65	350	150	125	80	295	...	110	40	35	36	60	86	12
Oxford .....	720	570	150	72	61	8	2	10	4	1	12	88	22	42	24	80	...	25	40	...	6	12	35	30
Pleasant Hill .....	750	705	45	72	72	8	8	15	5	5	35	300	100	150	50	225	60	75	130	40	26	32	75	35
Riverside .....	800	755	45	85	85	10	9	15	10	3	18	185	...	...	50	...	60	40	30	20	16	...	...	...
Sweetland Center .....	800	875	...	65	65	10	10	12	12	4	40	230	102	82	46	225	75	35	45	45	8	35	...	17
Tiffin .....	500	423	77	62	56	8	7	10	4	1	6	36	14	15	7	31	...	10	...	...	5	5	10	1
Victor .....	850	800	50	85	75	8	6	15	5	2	32	210	85	90	35	180	150	90	140	140	14	22	73	5
West Liberty .....	1,050	1,050	...	86	86	10	10	15	12	1	19	95	30	40	25	55	...	42	50	50	12	16	20	7
Williamsburg .....	400	298	102	65	50	8	6	10	8	4	36	190	67	80	43	154	...	50	50	50	20	19	55	6
Wilton .....	1,020	1,020	...	90	90	12	12	50	50	1	18	225	60	115	50	150	200	50	...	...	...	18	62	18
Total .....	14,570	13,648	997	1,557	1,425	\$ 174	\$ 157	\$ 299	213	42	486	3345	1211	1118	726	2456	1455	844	715	560	265	403	879	217

STATISTICAL REPORTS Nos. 2 AND 3—OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	PASTORS.			ELDER		BISHOPS.		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.														
	Pastor's Claims.	Pastor's Receipts.	Deficiency.	Apport'n'd	Paid.	Amount Apport'n'd	Amount Paid.	Amount Apport'n'd	Amount Paid.	No Schools	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages	Scholars 15 yrs. & over.	Under 15, except I. C.	Scholars in Infant Clas	Average Attend'nce	No. Library Books.	Expenses this year.	S. S. Advo- cates taken	S. S. Class- mates taken	S. S. Jour- nals taken.	Officers and T'ch'rs Ch.	Members or Probab'n's	Sch'rs who are Church members or Probab'n's
Brooklyn.....	\$1,253	\$1,253	.....	\$ 90	\$ 90	\$ 13	\$ 13	.....	\$ 10	1	19	180	58	72	50	167	150	\$ 75	25	25	16	17	100	41
Chester & Sheridan.....	800	800	.....	80	80	9	9	35	15	2	25	100	50	25	25	85	.....	25	15	15	16	25	50	15
Granville.....	675	552	123	85	85	10	10	20	3	3	25	120	90	15	25	120	100	30	.....	3	60	40	6	
Grinnell.....	1,413	1,413	.....	100	100	13	13	40	40	1	21	197	125	34	38	145	100	150	80	80	16	19	75	15
Grinnell Circuit.....	600	500	100	65	52	8	6	20	7	3	21	150	100	30	20	100	30	30	10	.....	20	20	87	10
Kellogg.....	548	418	130	60	45	8	5	20	.....	2	30	160	85	75	.....	.....	.....	50	40	40	16	25	.....	.....
Lynnville.....	575	118	387	45	15	5	1	15	2	2	10	100	40	30	30	70	24	25	.....	.....	8	6	3	
Madison.....	400	300	100	55	43	8	7	.....	1	1	10	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	
Maleolm.....	500	400	100	50	40	8	5	10	7	1	9	60	.....	.....	16	50	.....	12	25	.....	6	.....	.....	
Montezuma.....	1,000	1,000	.....	90	90	13	13	40	40	1	18	165	67	50	30	135	200	100	40	.....	18	.....	.....	
Montezuma Circuit.....	700	700	.....	75	75	8	8	30	30	4	21	160	80	80	8	180	.....	28	10	20	2	11	21	.....
New Sharon.....	925	925	.....	90	90	12	12	40	5	3	34	289	127	79	82	184	200	80	.....	24	34	103	10	
Newton.....	1,100	1,100	.....	100	100	13	13	40	5	1	30	200	85	60	55	170	.....	95	.....	20	29	95	6	
Newton Circuit.....	772	700	72	83	80	11	10	35	10	4	45	225	85	100	40	190	.....	50	36	10	8	40	110	.....
North Newton Ct.....	300	185	115	55	55	9	5	15	1	2	10	60	40	20	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	
Oskaloosa, First Ch.....	1,200	1,200	.....	105	105	13	13	36	10	1	21	160	45	75	40	135	.....	76	50	50	15	21	86	17
Oskaloosa, Simpson.....	980	980	.....	90	90	11	11	.....	8	1	18	150	50	100	40	110	400	87	95	95	14	18	41	15
Pella.....	500	500	.....	65	65	6	6	15	5	1	12	134	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	9	46	29
Reasoner.....	570	450	120	70	58	9	5	25	11	3	17	110	60	50	30	65	.....	28	20	20	12	15	16	.....
Rose Hill.....	525	475	50	55	42	7	3	15	4	4	35	211	118	65	38	145	.....	19	50	18	7	30	27	.....
Totals.....	15,336	14,039	1,297	1,508	1,390	188	168	451	216	40	441	2991	1295	960	567	2168	1204	1010	496	373	193	423	903	167

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.

Albia.....	\$1,000	\$1,000	.....	\$ 112	\$ 112	\$ 13	\$ 13	\$ 18	\$ 18	1	23	200	100	70	30	146	.....	\$ 62	100	100	18	22	75	.....
Albia Cirenit.....	500	418	72	55	46	8	5	12	4	4	32	175	.....	.....	.....	146	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	21	4	.....
Attica.....	600	533	67	76	45	10	3	.....	.....	5	45	150	75	75	20	100	40	40	70	25	15	45	100	.....
Beacon.....	650	450	200	65	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	29	219	119	75	35	219	200	178	.....	.....	29	50	6	.....
Cedar.....	800	800	.....	92	.....	12	12	20	11	4	40	375	100	95	80	225	.....	65	45	15	10	40	56	10
Chillicothe.....	660	604	56	70	63	8	7	10	5	5	30	133	55	59	19	110	64	50	37	70	12	22	14	3
Durham.....	760	660	100	90	80	12	10	20	12	5	40	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eddyville.....	450	313	137	30	23	3	1	3	1	1	12	100	30	37	33	75	200	35	30	30	1	12	50	.....
Kirkville.....	880	880	.....	92	92	10	10	20	20	2	23	250	125	75	50	150	100	50	75	75	4	22	.....	.....
Knoxville.....	1,050	1,050	.....	112	112	10	10	.....	.....	1	36	243	75	163	35	173	.....	125	100	100	35	30	80	3
Lovillia.....	500	400	100	65	42	2	5	.....	5	2	18	110	.....	.....	24	75	100	38	50	50	9	17	23	.....
Marysville.....	540	360	180	50	36	5	2	10	3	4	32	190	70	90	30	170	.....	40	12	16	6	24	65	14
Melrose.....	510	510	.....	55	55	5	5	.....	5	4	36	202	.....	.....	37	132	.....	18	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	9
Ottumwa, First Ch.....	1,500	1,500	.....	150	150	18	18	30	64	2	44	364	286	.....	78	210	300	141	80	8	25	44	.....	.....
Ottumwa, Main St.....	1,010	1,010	.....	60	60	.....	.....	10	4	1	24	176	59	61	56	113	.....	83	75	30	.....	24	.....	.....
Unionville.....	610	615	.....	85	85	9	9	12	12	5	55	350	180	80	90	240	200	65	40	40	22	50	150	40
Wesley Chapel.....	.....	161	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	12,020	11,305	912	1,259	1,086	\$ 125	\$ 110	165	164	49	519	3477	1274	785	617	2303	1204	900	714	559	165	403	684	89

## STATISTICAL REPORTS NOS. 2 AND 3.

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	PASTORS.			ELDERS		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIMANTS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.														
	Pastor's Claims.	Pastor's Receipts.	Deficiency.	Amount Appor't'n'd	Amount Paid	Amount Appor't'n'd	Amount Paid	Amount Appor't'n'd	Amount Paid	S. Schools	Officers & Teachers	Scholars of all ages	Scholars 15 yr. & over	Under 15, except I. C.	Scholars in infant class	Average attendance	No. Library books	Expenses this year	S. S. Advocates taken	S. S. Class-mates taken	S. S. Journals taken	Officers & Teachers Ch. memb'rs or probat'n'rs	Sch'ls who are church memb'rs or probat'n'rs	Conversion in S. School
Burlington .....	14,830	13,771	1,059	1,472	1,305	189	169	448	272	41	454	3217	1172	992	568	1947	2221	976	587	302	201	358	555	240
Keokuk .....	13,890	12,205	1,685	1,515	1,339	185	160	469	180	58	589	3467	1667	1190	645	2700	1233	735	318	134	149	453	836	271
Mt. Pleasant .....	11,993	10,879	1,114	1,360	1,201	169	149	338	242	41	476	3251	1295	858	683	2557	86	950	548	328	165	405	1045	351
Muscatine .....	14,570	13,648	922	1,557	1,425	174	157	299	213	42	486	3345	1211	1118	726	2456	1455	844	715	560	265	403	879	217
Oskaloosa .....	15,336	14,039	1,297	1,508	1,390	188	168	451	216	40	441	2981	1295	960	557	2168	1204	1010	496	373	193	423	903	167
Ottumwa .....	12,020	11,305	715	1,259	1,086	125	110	165	164	49	519	3477	1274	785	617	2303	1204	900	714	559	165	403	684	89
Total this year..	82,639	75,847	6,792	8,671	7,746	1,030	913	2,170	1,247	271	2965	19748	7914	5903	3806	14131	8177	5415	3378	2256	1138	2445	4902	1335
Total last year..	80,419	72,002	6,392	8,212	7,607	1,059	919	1,917	1,189	265	2872	20038	8161	6234	3632	12955	6981	4936	3032	1851	1207	2479	4664	920
Increase.....	2,220	3,845	400	459	139	.....	.....	253	58	6	93	.....	.....	.....	174	1176	1196	479	346	405	.....	.....	238	415
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	290	947	331	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69	34	.....	.....	.....

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### F—MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Wm. E. Patterson.....President  
I. O. Kemble.....Vice President  
J. F. Robertson.....Secretary  
C. W. Shepherd.....Treasurer  
A. R. Miller.....Assistant Treasurer

*Managers*—S. R. Furguson, D. C. Smith, E. L. Schreiner, J. L. King, C. V. Cowan, J. B. Blakeney, Geo. Sweeney, A. D. Gibbons, Wm. Wilson, Jr., F. Bacon, P. Ratcliff, Geo. Haw. Wm. E. Patterson, Pres.

### G—SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

W. N. Hall.....President  
B. F. Shane.....Vice President  
A. Latimer.....Secretary  
D. A. Watters.....Treasurer

**H—WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

Mrs. G. N. Power.....President  
 Mrs. C. L. Stafford...1st Vice Pres't  
 Mrs. I. O. Kemble....2d Vice Pres't  
 Mrs. M. Huston.....3d Vice Pres't  
 Mrs. D. C. Smith.....4th Vice Pres't  
 Mrs. F. Bacon.....5th Vice Pres't  
 Mrs. D. Murphy.....Recording Sec.  
 Mrs. G. N. Power....Cor. Secretary  
 Mrs. H. Griffith, Agent "Heathen Woman's Friend."

**I—WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

Mrs. I. O. Kemble.....President  
 Mrs. W. F. Cowles...Cor. Secretary  
 Mrs. D. Murphy...Recording Sec'y  
 Mrs. W. F. Cowles.....Treasurer

*Burlington District*—Mrs. J. W. Alderman, Vice President; Mrs. E. S. Huston, Manager.

*Keokuk District*—Mrs. W. G. Thorn, Vice President; Mrs. C. F. Williams, Manager.

*Mt. Pleasant District*—Mrs. J. W. McDonald, Vice President; Mrs. S. Smith, Manager.

*Muscatine District*—Mrs. Vida Wing, Vice President; Mrs. E. Brent, Manager.

*Oskaloosa District*—Mrs. T. E. Corkhill, Vice President; Mrs. E. J. Wright, Manager.

*Ottumwa District*—Mrs. J. B. Blakeney, Vice President; Mrs. W. B. Bonnifield, Manager.

**V.****SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.****A—COMMITTEES ON EXAMINATIONS.**

*First Year*—J. W. Lambert, D. L. Hayward, S. C. Smith.

*Second Year*—E. J. Pike, J. C. Kendrick, D. A. Watters.

*Third Year*—W. R. Stryker, L. O. Housel, F. W. Adams.

*Fourth Year*—R. H. McDade, A. W. Haines, S. S. Martin.

*For Admission on Trial*—B. M. Boydston, J. F. Robertson, B. F. Shane.

**B—TO PREACH THE MISSIONARY SERMON.**

F. W. Adams; alternate, J. E. Corley.

**C—TRUSTEES OF CONFERENCE CAMP-GROUND.**

*First Class, for One year*—W. E. Patterson, W. G. Wilson, E. Cooper, T. J. Myers.

*Second Class, for Two years*—J. T. Simmons, T. E. Corkhill, Wm. Blom, J. M. Anderson.

*Third Class, for Three years*—John Haynes, J. W. McDonald, Geo. Sweeney, D. H. Payne.

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D—COMMITTEE ON GEN'L CONFERENCE FUND.

*Burlington District*—A. V. Kendrick, J. W. Alderman, M. Simpson, A. W. McElhany.

*Kcokuk District*—C. W. Shepherd, J. F. Robertson, A. Hagney, Dillon Payne.

*Mt. Pleasant District*—S. S. Martin, A. R. Miller, Thos. Bell, C. H. Wilson.

*Muscatine District*—J. E. Corley, U. B. Smith, C. Thompson, A. Cooley.

*Oskaloosa District*—J. W. Lambert, R. Weese, S. Vitchers, Pierce Ratcliff.

*Ottumwa District*—J. B. Hill, J. A. Boatman, W. A. Nye, George Haw.

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E—TRUSTEES OF THE IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

*First Class, term expires 1890*—T. E. Corkhill, F. M. Gregg, E. L. Penn, Geo Haw, G. N. Power, I. O. Kemble.

*Second Class, term expires 1889*—D. C. Smith, James Harlan, W. I. Babb, Mrs. L. W. Byrkitt, John Haynes, C. L. Stafford.

*Third Class, term expires 1888*—W. G. Wilson, J. W. McDonald, J. B. Blakeney, J. C. W Coxe, J. T. Hackworth, D. H. Payne.

*Fourth Class, term expires 1887*—W. F. Cowles, J. T. Simmons, Chas. Snider, Mrs. M. E. Huston, W. A. Work, J. C. Power.

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F—VISITORS.

*Visitors to the Iowa Wesleyan University*—J. F. Robertson, H. E. Wing, T. B. Hughes, W. A. Gibbons, M. Simpson, Arthur Gibbons, Wm. Wilson, Jr., P. M. Musser, Pierce Ratcliff.

*Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute*—W. G. Wilson and C. L. Stafford.



## VI.

### DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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1. *Who are received by Transfer, and from what Conference?*

*Answer.* R. H. McDade, from the Colorado Conference; T. B. Hughes, from the West Virginia Conference.

2. *Who are admitted on Trial?*

*Ans.* Charles W. Powelson, Peter C. Hogle, Levi D. Johnson, Garry P. Van Wye, Latham Ingham, Charles E. Corkhill.

3. *Who remain on Trial?*

*Ans.* Frank W. Otto, Elliott E. Doud, Henry C. Millice, James Clulow, Simon P. Soudan, Roswell L. Rose, Joseph W. Fraker, Robert A. Allison, Matthew S. Stryker.

4. *Who are Discontinued?*

*Ans.* E. P. Childs, Eldridge D. Kilbourn.

5. *Who are admitted into Full Connection?*

*Ans.* David S. Dunlavy, James A. Ross, James A. Sinclair, John F. Barnett, C. L. Tennant, Winfield S. Kight, W. A. Black, W. N. Potter, George L. Cannom, Charles W. Simmons.

6. *Who are Re-admitted?*

*Ans.* None.

7. *Who are received on Credentials from other Churches?*

*Ans.* Francis Asbury Piper, from the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America.

8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

*Ans.* James A. Ross, James A. Sinclair, C. L. Tennant, Winfield S. Kight, W. N. Potter, George L. Cannom.

9. *What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*

*Ans.* James A. Ross, James A. Sinclair, Chas. L. Tennant, Winfield S. Kight, W. N. Potter, Geo. T. Cannom.

10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

*Ans.* James Clulow, Simon P. Soudan.

11. *What Local Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*

*Ans.* James Clulow, Simon P. Soudan.

12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*

*Ans.* Robert G. Wilson.

13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*

*Ans.* G. W. Younkin, R. G. Wilson, George W. Barber, J. W. Hackley, H. V. Tull.

14. *What Traveling Deacons have been Elected Elders?*

*Ans.* John W. Lewis, Ambrose R. Miller, John W. Hackley, Winfield S. Gardner, Ralph L. Patterson, James H. Armacost.

15. *What Traveling Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*

*Ans.* John W. Lewis, Ambrose R. Miller, John W. Hackley, Winfield S. Gardner, Ralph L. Patterson, James H. Armacost.

16. *What Local Deacons have been Elected Elders?*

*Ans.* None.

17. *What Local Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*

*Ans.* None.

18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

*Ans.* J. S. Furgeson, H. V. Tull, O. P. Light, G. G. Watters, G. W. F. Willey, A. McClintock, W. A. Swain, W. C. Shippen, W. J. Spaulding, W. N. Groom, B. Mark, M. See, I. N. Busby, D. C. Bevan.

19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

*Ans.* John Hayden, J. H. McCutchen, H. Runyan, James Haynes, E. W. Twining, R. B. Allender, John Orr, A. W. Johnson, A. W. Stryker, John Burgess, S. Hestwood, J. G. Thompson, W. Poston, J. B. Hardy, J. Gassner, A. Robinson, C. P. Reynolds, Cyrus Morey, J. T. Coleman, G. H. Clark, E. H. Waring, N. Wells, I. Craig, J. A. Bradrick.

20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

*Ans.* Yes.

21. *Have any Died?*

*Ans.* Joseph McDowell and T. M. Kirkpatrick.

22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

*Ans.* F. H. Beck, to Northern New York Conference; W. I. Miller, C. H. Montgomery, M. Bamford, J. W. Wright and A. R. Carnine, to Southwestern Kansas Conference; C. B. Clark, to Dakota Conference; S. W. Siberts and C. P. Craver, to Mexico Conference.

23. *Have any Withdrawn?*

*Ans.* None.

24. *Have any been Located at their own Request?*

*Ans.* J. W. Robinson.

25. *Have any been Located?*

*Ans.* None.

26. *Have any been Permitted to Withdraw Under Charges?*

*Ans.* None.

27. *Have any been Expelled?*

*Ans.* None.

28. *Who are Selected for Triers of Appeals?*

*Ans.* D. L. Hayward, E. L. Schreiner, J. W. McDonald, J. E. Corley, J. A. Boatman, J. B. Blakeney, T. E. Corkhill.

29. *What is the Statistical Report for the Conference Year?*

*Ans.* (See statistical tables, pages 180—190.)

30. *What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?*

*Ans.* Of effective Preachers, nothing; superannuates and widows, \$2,500.

31. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*

<i>Ans.</i> Received from Churches .....	\$1,281 00
Received from Chartered Fund .....	30 00
Received from Book Concern.....	187 00
Received from Conference Treasurer.....	16 00

Total.....	\$1,516 00
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(For distribution see Steward's Report, p. 177.)

32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

*Ans.* (See appointments, page 198.)

33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*

*Ans.* At Newton.

The several claims apportioned to the Conference, and to be divided equally among the districts, the following apportionments have been made: Support of Bishops, \$1,159; Freedmen's Aid, \$1,600; Educational Collection for I. W. U., \$2,000; General Conference Entertainment Fund, \$682; Conference Claimants, \$2,500.

## VII.

### APPOINTMENTS.

NOTE.—The figures denote the number of years in the present appointment.

#### BURLINGTON DISTRICT—T. J. MYERS, P. E., 3.

<p>Ainsworth, S. R. Ferguson, 2.          Burlington First Church, J. W. Alderman, 2.          Burlington South, A. V. Kendrick, 3.          Burlington West, J. A. Ross, 2.          Burlington Circuit, supplied by C. E. Todd, 1.          Columbus Junction, supplied.          Crawfordsville, supplied by J. R. Payne, 1.          Danville, W. R. Stryker, 2.          Fort Madison, W. E. Patterson, 2.</p>	<p>Kossuth, A. W. Haines, 1.          Mediapolis, G. M. Tuttle, 3.          Morning Sun, J. H. Armacost, 1.          Mt. Pleasant Circuit, F. R. Holcomb, 3.          Mt. Union, E. E. Doud, 2.          New London, L. Ingham, 1.          Sperry, supplied by T. S. Pool, 2.          Wapello, supplied.          Wayland, W. A. Black, 3.          West Point, D. S. Dunlavey, 1.          Winfield, D. L. Hayward, 2.</p>
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C. F. Williams, Chaplain Iowa Penitentiary, and member of Fort Madison Quarterly Conference.

#### KEOKUK DISTRICT—GEO. N. POWER, P. E., 2.

<p>Bentonsport, supplied by F. Stevens, 1.          Birmingham, Geo. W. Byrkitt, 1.          Bloomfield, J. F. Robertson, 2.          Centerville, E. L. Schremer, 1.          Cincinnati, C. L. Tennant, 2.          Drakeville, P. C. Hogle, 2.          Farmington, J. F. Barnett, 2.          Keokuk Chatham Square, W. G. Thorn, 1.          Keokuk First Church, R. L. Rose, 2.</p>	<p>Keosauqua, W. N. Hall, 1.          Keosauqua Circuit, W. N. Potter, 2.          Lebanon, J. A. Sinclair, 1.          Milton, C. R. Norton, 1.          Montrose, O. C. Shelton, 1.          Moulton, B. M. Boydston, 2.          Plano, W. C. Powelson, 1.          Pulaski, G. W. Barber, 1.          Salem and Hillsboro, C. W. Shepherd, 1.          Selma, H. C. Millice, 1.          Troy, F. W. Otto, 1.</p>
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#### MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT—JOHN HAYNES, P. E., 2.

<p>Agency City, S. S. Martin, 2.          Brighton, R. L. Patterson, 2.          Brookville, M. S. Stryker, 1.          Delta, W. S. Kight, 1.          Eldon, J. C. Kendrick, 2.          Fairfield, D. C. Smith, 1.          Fairfield Circuit, supplied by —          Strickengost, 1.          Keota, A. R. Miller, 2.</p>	<p>Lexington, J. W. Hackley, 2.          Martinsburg, W. A. Gibbens, 1.          Mt. Pleasant, J. W. McDonald, 2.          Richland, John Potter, 2.          Sigourney, L. O. Housel, 1.          Washington, I. O. Kemble, 3.          Webster, W. S. Gardner, 3.          What Cheer, J. W. Lewis, 1.</p>
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J. T. McFarland, President of Iowa Wesleyan University and member of First Church Quarterly Conference, Mt. Pleasant.

J. C. W. Coxe, agent of S. S. Union for the northwest, and member of Washington Quarterly Conference.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT—C. L. STAFFORD, P. E., 3.

<p>Blue Grass and Buffalo, supplied by N. Hankernmyer, 1.          Kosta, supplied by J. B. Hardy, 2.          Ladora, H. F. Pugh, 1.          Lettsville, L. D. Johnson, 1.          Lone Tree, S. F. Bishop, 1.          Marengo, J. E. Corley, 2.          Millersburg, supplied by George Swanston, 1.          Muscatine, W. G. Wilson, 1.          Muscatine Circuit, H. E. Wing, 1.</p>	<p>Oxford, C. W. Evans, 2.          Pleasant Hill, John Davis, 3.          Riverside, F. W. Adams, 3.          Sweetland Center, J. L. King, 1.          Tiffin, C. E. Corkhill, 1.          Victor, B. F. Shane, 1.          West Liberty, U. B. Smith, 1.          Williamsburg, supplied by W. H. Manuel, 1.          Wilton, D. A. Watters, 1.</p>
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J. M. Mann, Missionary to West Nebraska.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT—D. MURPHY, P. E., 4.

<p>Brooklyn, C. V. Cowan, 1.          Chester, R. H. McDade, 1.          Granville, J. Clulow, 1.          Grinnell, T. B. Hughes, 2.          Grinnell Circuit, R. Weese, 1.          Kellogg, G. W. Younkin, 1.          Lynnville, R. A. Allison, 1.          Madison, supplied by Edwin Hughes, 1.          Malcolm, supplied by J. G. G. Cavendish, 1.          Montezuma, C. E. Lewis, 1.</p>	<p>Montezuma Circuit, to be supplied.          New Sharon, J. W. Lambert, 2.          Newton, J. G. Barton, 1.          Newton Circuit, supplied by A. S. Loveall, 1.          Oskaloosa First Church, supplied by W. H. H. Pillsbury, 1.          Oskaloosa Simpson, T. E. Corkhill, 3.          Pella, F. A. Piper, 1.          Reasoner, G. P. Van Wye, 1.          Rose Hill, J. W. Fraker, 2.</p>
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OTTUMWA DISTRICT—I. P. TETER, P. E., 3.

<p>Albia, J. A. Boatman, 1.          Albia Circuit, J. B. Hill, 1.          Attica, S. P. Souden, 1.          Beacon and Eddyville, J. T. Simmons, 1.          Cedar, E. J. Pike, 2.          Chillicothe, supplied by W. P. Elliott, 1.          Durham, A. Latimer, 2.          Kirkville, S. C. Smith, 1.          Knoxville, F. W. Evans, 2.</p>	<p>Lovilla, supplied by S. Hestwood, 1.          Marysville, S. H. Thomas, 2.          Melrose, G. F. Cannom, 1.          Ottumwa First Church, J. B. Blakeney, 2.          Ottumwa, Main Street, W. F. Cowles, 1.          Unionville, R. G. Wilson, 2.          Wesley Chapel, supplied by W. Priestly 1.</p>
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C. W. Simmons, left without an appointment to attend school.

F. H. Beck, transferred to New York Conference; C. B. Clarke, transferred to Dakota Conference; S. W. Siberts and S. P. Craver, transferred to Mexico Conference; C. H. Montgomery, W. I. Miller, R. A. Carnine, M. Bamford and J. W. Wright transferred to Southwest Kansas Conference.

# VIII.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

### A—CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD.

1886-7.

N. B.—E stands for Effective Elder; D for Deacon; P for Probationer; Sy for Supernumerary; Sup for Superannuated. All Postoffices in SMALL CAPITALS are outside of the State of Iowa.

NAMES.	Entered Itinerancy.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conference	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY.
Adams, Frank W.....	E 1881	Iowa.....	1881	Riverside.....	Washington...
Alderman, J. W.....	E .....	.....	1885	Burlington.....	Des Moines...
Allender, R. B.....	Sup 1854	Iowa.....	1854	Bloomfield.....	Davis.....
Allison, R. A.....	P 1885	Iowa.....	1885	Lynnville.....	Jasper.....
Armacost, J. H.....	E 1882	Kentucky .....	1884	Morning Sun.....	Louisa.....
Barber, Geo. W.....	D 1883	Iowa.....	1883	Polaski.....	Davis.....
Barnett, J. F.....	D 1884	Iowa.....	1884	Farmington.....	Van Buren..
Barton, J. G.....	E 1868	Iowa.....	1868	.....	.....
Bevan, David C.....	Sy 1871	Iowa.....	1871	Oskaloosa.....	Mahaska.....
Bishop, S. F.....	E 1878	Iowa.....	1878	Lone Tree.....	Johnson.....
Black, W. A.....	D 1884	Iowa.....	1884	Wayland.....	Henry.....
Blakeney, J. B.....	E 1852	West Virginia.....	1870	Ottumwa.....	Wapello.....
Boatman, J. A.....	E .....	Kentucky .....	1883	Albia.....	Monroe.....
Boydston, B. M.....	E 1880	Iowa.....	1880	Moulton.....	Appanoose...
Bradrick, I. A.....	Sup 1851	Ohio .....	1851	OMAHA.....	NEBRASKA...
Burgess, John.....	Sup 1844	North Ohio.....	1865	Keokuk.....	Lee.....
Busby, I. N.....	Sy 1868	Iowa.....	1868	Brooklyn.....	Poweshiek....
Byrkitt, G. W.....	E 1857	Iowa.....	1857	Birmingham.....	Van Buren...
Cannon, G. T.....	D 1882	Bible Christian.....	1884	Melrose.....	Monroe.....
Clark, G. H.....	Sup 1857	Iowa.....	1857	Muchachinock....	Mahaska.....
Coleman, J. T.....	Sup 1847	Iowa.....	1847	Montrose.....	Lee.....
Corkhill, T. E.....	E 1847	Iowa.....	1847	Oskaloosa.....	Mahaska.....
Corkhill, C. G.....	P 1886	Iowa.....	1886	Giffin.....	Johnson.....
Corley, J. E.....	E 1871	Iowa.....	1871	Marengo.....	Iowa.....
Clulow, James.....	D 1885	Iowa.....	1885	Granville.....	Mahaska.....
Cowles, W. F.....	E 1843	Michigan.....	1851	Ottumwa.....	Wapello.....
Cowan, C. V.....	E 1880	Iowa.....	1880	Brooklyn.....	Poweshiek....
Coxe, J. C. W.....	E 1864	Vermont.....	1874	Washington.....	Washington..
Craig, Jesse.....	Sup 1845	Pittsburg.....	1855	.....	.....
Davis, John.....	E 1869	New Connection.Can	1871	Amish.....	Johnson.....
Doud, E. E.....	P .....	Iowa.....	1885	Mt. Union.....	Henry.....
Dunlavy, D. S.....	D .....	St. Louis.....	1885	West Point.....	Lee.....
Evans, C. W.....	E 1868	Church of God.....	1885	Oxford.....	Johnson.....
Evans, F. W.....	E 1851	Iowa.....	1851	Knoxville.....	Marion.....
Ferguson, J. S.....	Sy 1865	Iowa.....	1865	Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....
Ferguson, S. R.....	E 1872	Des Moines.....	1874	Ainsworth.....	Washington..
Fraker, J. W.....	P 1884	Iowa.....	1884	Rose Hill.....	Mahaska.....
Gardner, W. S.....	E 1882	Iowa.....	1882	Webster.....	Keokuk.....
Gassner, Joseph.....	Sup 1836	Ohio.....	1854	Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....
Gibbens, W. A.....	E 1880	Iowa.....	1880	Martinsburg.....	Keokuk.....
Groom, W. N.....	Sup 1874	Iowa.....	1874	Keosauqua.....	Van Buren...
Hackley, J. W.....	E 1882	Iowa.....	1882	Lexington.....	Washington..

## CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD—Continued.

NAMES.	Entered Ithierany.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conference	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY,
Haines, A. W.	E 1869	Iowa.	1869	Kossnith.	Des Moines.
Hall, W. N.	E 1873	Northwest Indiana.	1880	Keosauqua.	Van Buren.
Hardy, J. B.	Sup 1842	Rock River.	1844	Brooklyn.	Poweshiek.
Hayden, John.	Sup 1841	Rock River.	1844	Libertyville.	Jefferson.
Haynes, James.	Sup 1855	Iowa.	1855	OMAHA.	NEBRASKA.
Haynes, John.	E 1859	Iowa.	1859	Mt. Pleasant.	Henry.
Hayward, D. L.	E 1884		1883	Winfield.	Henry.
Hestwood, S.	Sup 1853	Iowa.	1852	Attica.	Marion.
Hill, John B.	E 1852	West Virginia.	1757	Melrose.	Monroe.
Hogle, P. C.	P 1886	Iowa.	1886	Drakeville.	Davis.
Holcomb, F. R.	E 1879	Iowa.	1879	Mt. Pleasant.	Henry.
Honsel, L. O.	E 1873	Iowa.	1873	Sigourney.	Keokuk.
Hughes, T. B.	E	West Virginia.	1886	Grimmell.	Poweshiek.
Ingham, L. L.	P 1886	Iowa.	1886	New London.	Henry.
Johnson, L. D.	P 1886	Iowa.	1886	Lettsville.	Louisa.
Johnson, A. W.	Sup 1843	Rock River.	1844	Dndley.	Wapello.
Kemble, I. O.	E 1865	Iowa.	1865	Washington.	Washington.
Kendrick, A. V.	E 1873	Iowa.	1873	Burlington.	Des Moines.
Kendrick, J. C.	E 1869	Iowa.	1869	Eldon.	Wapello.
Right, W. S.	D 1884	Iowa.	1884	Delta.	Keokuk.
King, J. L.	E 1870	Iowa.	1870	Sweetland Center.	Muscatine.
Lambert, J. W.	E	West Virginia.	1885	New Sharon.	Mahaska.
Latimer, A.	E 1878	West Virginia.	1879	Durham.	Marion.
Lewis, C. E.	E		1884	West Liberty.	Muscatine.
Lewis, J. W.	E 1882	Iowa.	1882	Morning Sun.	Louisa.
Light, O. P.	Sy 1852	Illinois.	1867	WYMORE.	NEBRASKA.
Maun, J. M.	E 1866	Iowa.	1866	INDIANOLA.	NEBRASKA.
Mark, B.	Sy 1846	Ohio.	1860	Oskaloosa.	Mahaska.
Martin, S. S.	E 1876	Iowa.	1876	Agency City.	Wapello.
McClintock, A.	Sy 1865	Upper Iowa.	1870	MILLER.	DAKOTA.
McCutehen, J. H.	Sup 1839	Ohio.	1857	New Boston.	Lee.
McDonald, J. W.	E 1866	Iowa.	1866	Mount Pleasant.	Henry.
McFarland, J. T.	E 1875	Iowa.	1875	Mount Pleasant.	Henry.
Miller, A. R.	E 1882	Iowa.	1882	Keota.	Keokuk.
McDade, R. H.	E		1886	Chester.	Poweshiek.
Millice, H. C.	P 1885	Iowa.	1885	Selma.	Van Buren.
Morey, Cyrus.	Sup 1851	West Virginia.	1855	What Cheer.	Keokuk.
Murphy, D.	E 1858	Iowa.	1858	Oskaloosa.	Mahaska.
Myers, T. J.	E 1869	Iowa.	1869	Burlington.	Des Moines.
Norton, C. R.	E 1872	Iowa.	1872	Milton.	Van Buren.
Otto, F. W.	P 1885	Iowa.	1885	Troy.	Davis.
Orr, John.	Sup 1859	Iowa.	1859	Mt. Pleasant.	Henry.
Patterson, R. L.	E 1882	Illinois.	1884	Brighton.	Washington.
Patterson, W. E.	E 1871	Iowa.	1871	Ft. Madison.	Lee.
Pike, E. J.	E 1868	Iowa.	1868	Freemont.	Mahaska.
Poston, W.	Sup 1855	Iowa.	1855	Lexington.	Washington.
Potter, John.	E 1870	Iowa.	1870	Richland.	Keokuk.
Potter, W. N.	D 1883	Iowa.	1883	Keosauqua.	Van Buren.
Power, George N.	E 1856	Iowa.	1856	Keokuk.	Lee.
Powelson, C. W.	P 1886		1886	Plano.	Van Buren.
Pugh, H. F.	E 1873	Iowa.	1873	Ladora.	Iowa.
Robertson, J. F.	E 1877	Iowa.	1877	Bloomfield.	Davis.
Robinson, A.	Sup 1836	Indiana.	1857	Ottumwa.	Wapello.
Rose, R. L.	P 1884	Iowa.	1884	Keokuk.	Lee.
Ross, J. A.	D 1884	"	1884	Burlington.	Des Moines.
Runyon, Harrison.	Sup 1860	"	1860	Marysville.	Marion.
Schreiner, E. L.	E 1865	"	1865	Centerville.	Appanoose.
See, M.	Sy 1845	"	1845	West Point.	Lee.
Shane, B. F.	E 1869	"	1869	Victor.	Iowa.
Shelton, O. C.	E 1836	Ohio.	1852	Moulton.	Lee.
Shepherd, C. W.	E 1868	Iowa.	1868	Salem.	Henry.
Shippen, W. C.	Sy 1852	"	1852	HELENA.	MONTANA.
Simmons, C. W.	D 1883	"	1883	EVANSTON.	ILLINOIS.
Simmons, John T.	E 1856	"	1856	Ottumwa.	Wapello.
Sinclair, J. A.	D 1884	"	1884	Lebanon.	Van Buren.
Smith, D. C.	E 1864	"	1861	Fairfield.	Jefferson.



CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD—*Continued.*

NAMES.	Entered Itineracy.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conference	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY.
Smith, S. C. ....	E 1879	Iowa.....	1879	Kirkville.....	Wapello.....
Smith, U. B. ....	E 1867	".....	1867	West Liberty....	Muscatine....
Souden, S. P. ....	D 1885	".....	1885	Attica.....	Marion.....
Spaulding, W. J. ....	Sy 1854	Indiana.....	1856	Mt. Pleasant....	Henry.....
Stafford, C. L. ....	E 1870	Iowa.....	1870	Muscatine.....	Muscatine....
Stryker, A. W. ....	Sup 1850	Indiana.....	1856	Victor.....	Iowa.....
Stryker, W. R. ....	E 1875	Iowa.....	1875	Danville.....	Des Moines...
Stryker, M. S. ....	P 1885	".....	1885	Brookville.....	Jefferson....
Swain, W. A. ....	Sy 1871	Methodist Protest'nt	1882	West Liberty....	Muscatine....
Tennent, C. L. ....	D 1884	Iowa.....	1884	Cincinnati.....	Appanoose....
Peter, I. P. ....	E 1853	".....	1853	Ottumwa.....	Wapello.....
Thomas, S. H. ....	E 1860	".....	1860	Marysville.....	Marion.....
Thompson, J. G. ....	Sup 1853	".....	1853	Sigourney.....	Keokuk.....
Thorn, W. G. ....	E 1867	".....	1867	Keokuk.....	Lee.....
Tull, H. V. ....	Sy 1881	".....	1881	EVANSTON.....	ILLINOIS.....
Tuttle, G. M. ....	E 1870	Vermont.....	1876	Mediapolis.....	Des Moines....
Twining, E. W. ....	Sup 1846	Iowa.....	1846	Corning.....	Adams.....
Van Wye, S. P. ....	P 1886	".....	1886	Reasoner.....	Jasper.....
Waring, E. H. ....	Sup 1849	Baltimore.....	1857	Oskaloosa.....	Mahaska.....
Watters, D. A. ....	E 1874	Iowa.....	1874	Wilton.....	Muscatine....
Watters, G. G. ....	Sy 1851	Pittsburg.....	1882	Cedar Rapids....	Linn.....
Weese, R. ....	E.....	West Virginia....	1885	Grimmell.....	Poweshiek....
Wells, N. ....	Sup 1854	Iowa.....	1854	".....	".....
Willey, G. F. W. ....	Sy 1874	".....	1874	Mt. Pleasant....	Henry.....
Wilson, R. G. ....	D 1883	".....	1883	Unionville.....	Appanoose....
Wilson, W. G. ....	E 1870	".....	1870	Muscatine.....	Muscatine....
Williams, C. F. ....	E 1880	".....	1880	Ft. Madison.....	Lee.....
Wing, H. E. ....	E 1873	".....	1873	Muscatine.....	Muscatine....
Younkin, G. W. ....	D 1883	".....	1883	Kellogg.....	Jasper.....

## SUMMARY.

Elders.....	110
Deacons.....	13
Total number of Members.....	123
Probationers.....	13
Total number of Preachers.....	136
Supernumeraries.....	12
Superannuates.....	25
Effective Preachers.....	101
Total.....	136

ERRATUM—Page 150, eleventh line from top of page, "The 2d question," should read the 2d question.

Page 148, seventh line from bottom of page, J. T. Bennett should read J. F. Barnett.

## SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE.

YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1844	August 14th to August 18th.....	Iowa City.....	Morris.....	H. W. Reed.
1845	September 3d to September 8th..	Burlington.....	Morris.....	"
1846	" 2d to " 7th..	Bloomington.....	Hamlin.....	"
1847	" 1st to " 7th..	Mt. Pleasant.....	Wauha.....	Joseph Brooks.
1848	August 23d to August 28th.....	Dubuque.....	Morris.....	H. W. Reed.
1849	" 8th to " 13th.....	Fort Madison.....	Janes.....	Landon Taylor.
1850	" 7th to " 12th.....	Fairfield.....	Hamlin.....	J. G. Dimmitt.
1851	" 6th to " 11th.....	Davenport.....	Wauha.....	M. H. Hare.....
1852	September 29th to October 4th..	Burlington.....	Ames.....	Joseph Brooks.
1853	" 28th to " 4th..	Oskaloosa.....	Scott.....	"
1854	" 27th to " 4th..	Dubuque.....	Morris.....	H. W. Reed.
1855	" 26th to " 3d..	Keokuk.....	Simpson.....	Joseph Brooks.
1856	" 24th to September 30th.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Janes.....	"
1857	" 24th to " 26th.....	Des Moines.....	Ames.....	"
1858	" 8th to " 14th.....	Fairfield.....	Morris.....	E. L. Briggs.
1859	" 7th to " 12th.....	Muscatine.....	Simpson.....	E. H. Warring.
1860	August 29th to September 3d.....	Oskaloosa.....	Janes.....	"
1861	21st to August 26th.....	Burlington.....	Scott.....	"
1862	September 10th to September 15th	Washington.....	Baker.....	"
1863	" 9th to " 14th.....	Newton.....	Ames.....	"
1864	" 14th to " 19th.....	Keokuk.....	Janes.....	"
1865	" 27th to October 2d.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Janes.....	"
1866	" 26th to " 1st.....	Knoxville.....	Ames.....	"
1867	" 18th to September 23d.....	Ottumwa.....	Scott.....	"
1868	" 3d to " 7th.....	Burlington.....	Janes.....	"
1869	" 1st to " 6th.....	Muscatine.....	Thompson.....	"
1870	" 28th to October 3d.....	Albia.....	Ames.....	"
1871	October 4th to October 9th.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Ames.....	"
1872	" 9th to " 14th.....	Oskaloosa.....	Andrews.....	"
1873	September 17th to September 21st	Washington.....	Bowman.....	"
1874	" 16th to " 21st.....	Bloomfield.....	Haven.....	"
1875	" 15th to " 21st.....	Keokuk.....	Merrill.....	"
1876	" 6th to " 12th.....	Ottumwa.....	Wiley.....	Geo. N. Power.
1877	" 5th to " 10th.....	Fairfield.....	Ames.....	"
1878	" 4th to " 10th.....	Brooklyn.....	Foster.....	"
1879	" 3d to " 9th.....	Burlington.....	Harris.....	"
1880	" 8th to " 13th.....	Centerville.....	Hurst.....	"
1881	August 31st to September 5th.....	Knoxville.....	Merrill.....	"
1882	September 6th to September 11th	Muscatine.....	Wiley.....	"
1883	" 5th to " 10th.....	Burlington.....	Simpson.....	"
1884	" 3d to " 9th.....	Ottumwa.....	Foster.....	"
1885	" 10th to " 15th.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Ninde.....	"
1886	" 2d to " 7th.....	Washington.....	Bowman.....	"

## ROLL AND RECORD OF THE BISHOPS.

NAME.	P. O. ADDRESS.	Entered the Ministry.	Ordained Bishop.
Thomas Bowman.....	3029 Washington Avenue, St. Louis.....	1839	1872
William L. Harris.....	805 Broadway, New York.....	1837	1872
Randolph S. Foster.....	59 Rutland Avenue, Boston.....	1837	1872
Stephen W. Merrill.....	57 Washington Street, Chicago.....	1846	1872
Edward G. Andrews.....	Washington, D. C.....	1848	1872
Henry W. Warren.....	Denver, Colorado.....	1855	1880
Cyrus D. Foss.....	Minneapolis, Minnesota.....	1857	1880
John F. Hurst.....	Buffalo, N. Y.....	1858	1880
W. X. Ninde.....	Topeka, Kansas.....	1884	
John M. Walden.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee.....	1884	
W. F. Mallalieu.....	New Orleans, Louisiana.....	1884	
Charles H. Fowler.....	San Francisco, California.....	1861	1884

## LIST OF LOCAL PREACHERS.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.
<b>BURLINGTON DIST.</b>			
Wm. Turner.....	Burlington.	C. N. Curtis .....	Mt. Pleasant.
J. Frost .....	"	W. F. Leahew.....	"
J. W. Davidson.....	Ft. Madison.	J. E. Newsome.....	Richland.
T. S. Pool.....	Latty.	H. Hardin.....	"
Wm. Shipman.....	Wapello.	F. Lyson .....	Sigourney.
R. P. Darbyshire....	Washington.	C. Lanning.....	What Cheer.
James Leaper.....	Noble.	B. Carey.....	"
Wm. Hamilton .....	Mt. Union.	J. Chew .....	Thornburg.
J. H. Payne .....	Crawfordsville.	J. James .....	"
J. C. Willits .....	Mt. Pleasant.	F. Smith.....	"
W. H. Bird .....	"	<b>MUSCATINE DIST.</b>	
W. P. Elliott .....	Marsh.	L. W. Ruhl.....	Kosza.
<b>KEOKUK DISTRICT.</b>		A. Davidson .....	Muscatine.
D. Hill.....	Bloomfield.	J. B. Hawley.....	"
J. McCarty.....	"	M. Y. Howe.....	"
R. Marrs .....	"	Fred. C. Demorest..	"
D. Exline.....	"	Joseph Hoops.....	"
H. Blackburn.....	"	Dr. Orris .....	Victor.
M. Vinson.....	Lebanon.	H. C. Dove .....	West Liberty.
S. N. Keniston .....	Keokuk.	Ira Leveridge.....	Wilton.
Nathan Shepherd...	Bentonsport.	Jesse Walker .....	Fredonia.
T. C. Ware .....	Bonaparte.	<b>OSKALOOSA DIST.</b>	
A. Yeager .....	Vernon.	J. Randall.....	Sheridan Center.
C. F. Spooner .....	Centerville.	J. Bruden .....	Grinnell.
R. W. Thornburg....	"	T. Richardson.....	"
J. M. Rockridge.....	Plano.	Geo. W. Fraker .....	Kellogg.
L. C. Carroll .....	Hall.	J. W. Reynolds.....	Newton.
John Hunt .....	"	T. Lyons.....	Oskaloosa.
F. L. McGew .....	Douds.	J. S. Horner .....	"
Wm. Colridge.....	Libertyville.	J. A. Tool .....	Draper.
John Miller .....	Moulton.	J. F. Ellsworth.....	Mauchunk.
I. D. Hotchkiss.....	Pulaski.	<b>OTTUMWA DIST.</b>	
Wm. Doyles.....	Styles.	Wm. Argo.....	Iconium.
J. Light.....	New Boston.	C. Bond .....	Fremont.
J. T. Kerns.....	Cantril.	J. Beach .....	Maine.
J. Yeager.....	Milton.	J. Beal .....	Lovilia.
L. P. Thayer .....	"	J. A. Bowden.....	Excelsior.
<b>MT. PLEASANT DIST.</b>		— Story.....	"
A. Smith .....	Batavia.	M. Carver.....	Albia.
W. Shadford .....	Agency City.	— Crawford .....	Lovilia.
W. F. Parker.....	Bladensburg.	W. Craig .....	Knoxville.
W. S. Widger.....	"	D. Chrissman .....	Durham.
James Funston .....	Clay.	— Grey.....	Eddyville.
E. McCarty.....	Perlee.	T. J. Hodges .....	Knoxville.
D. P. Cole .....	Lexington.	J. Johnson.....	Kirkville.
D. T. Horton .....	Martinsburg.	John Mark.....	Attica.
T. T. Henderson .....	Fairfield.	J. Marshall.....	"
T. Dickson .....	"	W. A. Nye.....	Chillicothe.
L. R. Moore.....	"	J. Plasters.....	Avery.
J. C. Harbin .....	Mt. Pleasant.	S. T. Withers.....	Albia.
S. H. Teter.....	"	E. K. Woodruff.....	Knoxville.

[In preparing the list of Local Preachers for the Minutes another year, it will be better to state the place of membership, the postoffice, and whether Elder, Deacon or Licentiate.—C. L. S.]